

Warrant March 3^d 1823

To Otis Grover Constable of Bethel You are hereby required in
Seals the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the
inhabitants of s^d Bethel qualified to vote in town meeting to
assemble at the centre Meeting house on monday the third of March
next at ten o'clock A M. to act on the following articles VIZ.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
 - 2 To choose a Clerk
 - 3 To choose a Treasurer
 - 4th To choose Selectmen
 - 5th To choose Assessors
 - 6 To choose a Collector & Constable
 - 7 To se if the town will divid the 5th school District agree
able to the request of Eli Richardson and others
 - 8 To choose Highway Surveyors
 - 9 To raise money to repair highways in s^d Bethel
 - 10 To raise money to defray town charges
 - 11 To raise money for the support of schools
 - 12 To choose all other town officers required by the laws of
this State
 - 13 To act on any other matters proper when met
- Given under our hands and seals this 18th day of February
A D. 1823

Peter York	}	Selectmen
Phinehas Frost		of
Sam ^l . Chapman		Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I have summoned and notified
the inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to
meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

by posting up notifications seven days before said meeting
Otis Grover Constable of Bethel

March 3^d 1823

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened and the following votes were passed VIZ.

- 1st Made choice of Timothy Carter Moderator
- 2 Made choice of Ba Bartlett Town Clerk
- 3 Made choice of B. Bartlett T. Treasurer
- 4th Made choice of Israel Kimball 1st Selectman
- 5th Voted to excused I Kimball from serving
- 6th Made choice of Timothy Hastings 1st Selectman
- 7 Made choice of James Walker 2^d Selectman
- 8 Made choice of Phinehas Frost 3^d Selectman
- 9 Made choice of T. Hastings 1st Assessors
- 10 Made choice of James Walker 2^d Assessor
- 11 Made choice of P. Frost 3^d Assessor
- 12 Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first Monday in April
at 10 O'clock in the forenoon Timothy Carter Moderator
Attest Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

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April 7th 1823

Pursuant to the adjournment of March meeting the meeting was opened and agreeable to the request of Timothy Carter

- 1st Voted to excuse him from serving as Moderator on the adjournment of March meeting &
- 2^d Made choice of Capt. Jan^a Abbot Moderator
- 3 Voted to excuse Timothy Hastings from serving as Selectman and Assessor
- 4 Made choice of Timothy Carter 1st Selectman and Assessor
- 5 Voted to divide the 5th School District making the river the dividing line

The following persons were chosen

Highway Surveyors

Phinehas Frost

John Bean

Reuben Bartlett

William Holt

Simeon Twitchell

Leanard Grover

Timothy Bean X

Hezekiah Andrews excused

Elihu Killgore

Hezekiah Moody

Stephen Russell excused

Ebenezer Bean

Purkins P. Moulton

Jacob Ellinwood

Calvin Stearns

Bezalub Kendal excused

Nathan A. Foster

Elias Bartlett

Israel Kimball excused

Israel Kimball, Jr.

John Cushman

Joseph C. Walker excused

Capt Jonathan Abbot

Voted that those person called upon by the the Surveyors to work on the road after the money is expended shall be allowed out of the next Highway Tax—

Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the repair of Highways the present year

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Voted to allow \$5.50th for articles charged to Mrs Capen for support in Polly Capen by James F. Carter

Voted to accept the account of Samuel Chapman \$21.35

Voted to allow the account of Israel Kimball \$ 7.50th

Voted to raise \$500.00 to defray town charges

Voted that each school District be authorzied to choose their Agents

Surveyors of Lumber

Capt. Jonathan Abbot

Joseph Twitchell X

Israel Kimaball

Voted that that the

Highway Surveyors

be fence Viewers in their Several
Districts

Tything Men

Thaddeus Twitchell
Capt. Jonathan Powers excused
Jonas Willis excused
Peregrine Bartlett _____

Dea John Holt

Field Drivers

Eli Twitchell Jr. X
O Neil W. Robinson X
Amos Gage
Daniel G. Ellinwood
Moses Bartlett
Eli Twitchell 3^d X
Curatio Twitchell X
Francis BarkerX

Timothy M. Swan
Aaron B. Swan X
Simeon Brown
James A. S. Bartlett X
Peter Kimball X
Calvin Stearns X
George Kimball X
Hezekeah Moody

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Pound Keeper

Israel Kimball

Voted to allow Dea John Holt's Act. \$2.00
Voted to allow Dea Sam.^l Barkers Act. 1.00
Voted to set up the collection of taxes to be struck off to the
lowest Bider
Struck of to Purkens P. Moulton at 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ percent and presented
Messrs Jedidiah Grover and Capt. Eli Twitchell 3^d as Bondsmen
the town voted to accept them as such _____
Voted that Purkins P. Moulton be the Collector and Constable
for the year ensuing _____

School Committee

Rev. Ch.^s Frost John Grover Timothy Carter Barb.^r Bartlett
Elias Bartlett

Capt. Jonathan Abbot

Moderator

Attest Barb^R Bartlett Town Clerk

Oxford ss. Personally appeared the foregoing named Officers who have not this mark X affixed to their names and took the oath to the faithful discharge of the several offices as by law prescribed — Before me

Barb^R Bartlett Justice of Peace

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Warrant April 7th 1823

To Otis Grover Constable of the town of Bethel Greeting
Seals You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting house in said town on the first monday of April next at one of the O'clock P. M. to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see if the town will open the road and build a bridge over Jesse Cross, Mill stream
- 3^d To see if the town will will raise money to make the road and build s^d Bridge
- 4th To see if the town will divide the 3^d school District
- 5th To see if the town will set of Jonas & Adam Willis on to the 1st District North side
- 6th To see if the town will vote what method the 7th School District shall take to warn their School meetings
- 7th To see if the town will choose an Agent to fence the burying ground near Jonas Willis in said town

Given under our hands and seals this 24th
day of March A D. 1823

James Walker
Phinehas Frost

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Selectmen
of Bethel

April 7th 1823

Pursuant to the within warrant I have summoned and notified the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned Otis Grover } Constable of Bethel

- Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened and the followin votes were taken to wit
- 1st Made choice Sam^l Chapman Moderator
 - 2 Voted to open the road over Jesse Cross, s mill Stream and build a bridge over the same
 - 3^d Voted to choose a Committee to supenintend the buildin of said Bridge
 - 4th Voted that Capt Grout Timothy Hastings and Jedidiah Burbank be this committee
 - 5th Voted that this Committee make a plan of s^d Bridge estimate the expense of Building said Bridge and report to the assessors before the first of May that they may assess on each District its propertional part of such a sum or is proper to build s^d Bridge and open the Road
 - 6th Voted to choose an Agent to supenintend the building of s^d Bridge
 - 7 Voted that Capt Timothy Hastings be this Agent voted to excuse him
- Made choice of Capt Daniel Grout for this Agent
Voted to divide the 3^d school District agreeable to the prayer of the Petitioners as follows to wit

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Beginning at James Swans and following the County Road to Justin Beans and from James Swans including all the inhabitants East of s^d Road in said District from said Swans by Joseph Holts and others to Alpheus Swans

Voted that the Agent in the 7th school District be authorised

to notify and warn District meetings when he shall deem it proper
Voted that no further notice be taken of the 7th Article than
that each District may fence their own burying ground
Voted to accept the following Road

A Road

Laid out for the use of Bethel a town road as follows To Wit
Beginning at a pine stumt in the south side of the County Road
on the line between Thaddeus Bartlett and Sam^l Ayers from thence
south 11 Deg. East 179 rods thence south 20 Deg. West 152 Rods
thence south 6 Deg. East 406 Rods thence South 26 Deg. West 250
rods then South 6 Deg. East 220 Rods to the town line near
Solomen Amos Jr The said road to be four rods wide and to lie
on either side of said courses

November 27th 1822

Peter York } Selectmen
Pinehas Frost } of Bethel

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Laid out for the use of the Town of Bethel a town road
as follows viz.

Beginning at the town line between lots No 5 and 6 from thence
North 19 Deg. West 224 Rods thence North 42 Deg. West 222 Rods
thence North 20 Deg. West 108 Rods thence North 25 Deg East 66
Rods thence North 7 Deg. West 34 Rods thence North 28 Deg. West
96 rods thence North 34 Deg West 250 Rods to the road heading
to Lockes Mills by Nathaniel Beans the said Road is to be three
rods wide and to be on either side of s^d courses

November 28th 1822

Peter York } Selectmen
Phinehas Frost } of
Bethel

Voted to adjourn this meeting to the second Monday in September

next at two O'clock P. M.

Col. Sam^l Chapman Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk
April 7th A Warrant

To Otis Grover Constable of Bethel

Seals You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre meeting house on the first Monday in April at two O'clock P. M. to give in their votes for a Representative for Oxford District to represent them in the next congress

Given under our hands and seals this twenty fourth day of March AD. 1823

James Walker Selectmen
Phinehas Frost of Bethel

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April 7th 1823

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened and the Inhabitants gave in their votes for a Representative to Congress in the following manner VIZ.

For Enoch Lincoln Esq 68 votes

Timothy Carter Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

A Warrant Sept. 8th 1823

To Purkins P. Moulton Constable of the Town of Bethel

Seals You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the Centre meeting house in said Bethel on Monday the eighth day of September next at two of O'clock P.M. to give in their votes for a Governor, Senators and for a Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands and seals at said Bethel this twenty
first day of August A. D. 1823

James Walker }
Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
of Bethel

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Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Meeting was opened
and the Inhabitants gave in their votes for Governor Senators
and Representative in the following manner Viz. For Governor

	Albion K. Parris had ninety	90
For } Senators	Samuel Small had fifty one	51
	James Steel had fifty one	51
	Melvin Stow had ninety	90
For Represent- ative	Luke Riley had -one	1
	Asa Foster had two	2
	For County Treasurer	
	Henry Rust had forty	40
	Timothy Carter Esq. Moderator	
	Attest Barb ^r Bartlett Town Clerk	

Pursuant to the adjournment of April meeting the meeting
was opened and the following votes passed
Voted to dissole thie meeting

Col. Sam^l Chapman Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Retailers At a meeting of the Selectmen Town Treasurer and Town Clerk
the following persons were Licenced as Retailers of Spiriterous
Lequors in the Town of Bethel for one years from this date VIZ.
O, Neil W. Robinson Eli Twitchell 2^d and Luther Locke
September 8th 1823

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A Warrant Sept 20th 1823

To Purkins P. Moulton Constable of the town of Bethel
Seals You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine
to notify and warne the Inhabitants qualified by law to vote in
town meetings to meet at the centre Meeting House in said Bethel
on Saturday the twentieth day of Sept. next at two O'clock P.M.
to act on the following articles VIZ.

First To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting

Second To see if the town will not adopt some some method to
build a Bridge over the Mill Brook so as the labour in the
lower part of the town which was designed for building
said Bridge may be laid out in the lower part of the town
on bad roads

Third To accept such Roads as maybe brought before the town
for their acceptance

Fourth To act on any other business the town May think proper
when met

Given under our hands and seals this twenty eighth
day of August A. D. 1823

Timothy Carter } Selectmen
James Walker } of Bethel

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September 20th 1823

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants
of Bethel qualified to vote in town meetings to meet at the time
and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Purkins P. Moulton Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened
and the following votes taken Viz.

- 1st Made choice of Amos Hills Esq. Moderator
- 2^d Voted to adjourn this meeting

- 3^d Voted to adjourn it to the open meeting House in Bethel at one O'clock P. M.
4th Voted to reconsider the last vote
5th Voted to adjourn this meeting to Saturday next at twelve O'clock noon

Amos Hills Esq Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

September 27th 1823

Saturday 12 O'clock Pursuant to the adjournment the meeting was opened and the following votes passed

- 1st Voted that the Plan drafted by Esquere Hills be adoped as the model of the Bridge over the Mill Brook except that the posts be shortened one foot the whole length of said Bridge and causeway

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Voted to pass over the 2^d article

Voted that the Agent call on the Highway Surveyors to work out that part of the Highway tax assessed for the purpose of opening the road and building the said Bridge

Voted that mans labor be /9^{ct} per hour

Voted to excuse Capt. D. Grout from serving any longer as agent

Voted that Israel Kimball serve as Agent instead of Capt Grout

Voted to set up the stringers and covering to be struck off to the lowest bider

Voted to set up the Stringers and covering separate

Struck off the five Stringers to Simean Twitchell at \$17.75

Struck off 2 Sticks 20 ft. long 16 inches diameteor the least end to Eleazer Rowe at \$2.90

Set up the Covering in lots of 10^{ft} in width.

Struck of the first lot of 10^{ft} to Ebeazer Row at \$ 3.70

Struck of the second lot to Eleaz Rowe at \$3.70 Struck off the third lot to E Rowe at \$3.50

Struck off the 4th lot to E. Rowe at \$3.50

Voted to excuse Mr. I. Kimball from serving as Agent Voted that Col. T. Twitchell be this Agent

Voted to excuse him Voted to accept the following Road laid out the following for the use of Perkins P. Moulton and others

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Road

After giving due notice to the Proprietors of the land through which a Road was petitioned to be laid out by Perkins P. Moulton and others

The following survey was made in presence of Jed Grover Jr. Nathan Grover Proprietors present Amasa Clark Thomas Harding not present

Beginning near the gate at a stake on Amasa Clark's came south twenty six Deg. W 76 Rods thence south eight Deg. West 90 rods thence south forty Deg. West 110 Rods thence South thirty five Deg. West 102 Rods thence South forty five Deg. West 72 Rods thence South ten Deg West 20 Rods Bethel Sept. 18th 1823

James Walker } Selectman of Bethel

Eli Twitchell Surveyor per order of the Selectmen of said Bethel

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Amos Hills Moderator The Moderator s name ought to have been recorded first

To Purkins P. Moulton Constable of Bethel Greeting
 Seals You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine
 to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote
 in town affairs to meet and assemble at the centre Meeting
 house on Monday the twenty ninth day of December Inst. at one
 of the clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles
 VIZ.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see if the town will remonstrate aganist the Petitions
 of James Walker and 30 others Praying that a partof
 Greenwood maybe annexed to Bethel with the Inhabitants
 there on
- 3^d To choose a Committee to draft a Remonstrance aganist said
 Petition in behalf of said Town
- 4th To transact such otheter business as may be thought neces-
 sary and proper when met

Given under our hands and seals this twelfth day of Dec-
 ember AD. 1823

Timothy Carter	}	Selectmen of Bethel
James Walker		
Phinehas Frost		

Pursuant to the within I have notified & warned the Inhabitants
 as therein expressed to meet at the time and place as expressed

Decm 22 1823 Purkins P. Moulton Constable of W. Bethel

December 29th 1823

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and
 the following votes were passed VIZ

- 1st Made choice of Capt. Jonathan Abbot Moderator
- 2^d Voted to remonstrate against the Petition of James Walker
 and 30 others

- 3^d Voted to choose a Committee of three to draft a Remonstrance
- 4th Made choice of Timothy Carter Phenias Frost and Barb^r Bartlett for said Committee
- 5th Voted that the Selectmen Settle with Timothy Bean and John Merrill for keeping William Bisk for the time that each one kept him Voted that the Assessors abate the taxes of John Burk who lived with Justin Bean Voted to allow Peter York s acct. \$58.00

Capt. Jonathan Abbot Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Warrant March 1st 1824

To Purkins P. Moulton Constable of the town of Bethel Greeting
Seals You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said Bethel on Monday the first day of March next at eleven of the clock A. M. to act on the following articles VIZ.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Clerk
- 3 To choose Selectmen & Assessors
- 4th To choose Treasurer & all other Officers which Towns are authorised to choose in the month of March or April annually
- 5th To raise money to repair Highways
- 6th To raise money to support Schools
- 7th To raise money to defray town charges
- 8th To see if the town will pass a vote that no town Order issued for the support and for service of town Officers, shall be made payable under one year from the time the service Maybe performed; except for the payment of taxes
- 9th To see if the town will make provision to repair such Bridges as have been carried away by a freshet

10th To see what method the town will take to support the Poor

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11th To see if the town will accept the the laying of certain pieces of Roads in said town

12 Notice is hereby given that the Selectmen will be in Session on the morning of the day of the above meeting at nine O'clock at the house of Doc^tr Timothy Carter for the purpose of receiving qualifications of Voters

13th To see if the town will vote that all accounts against said town shall be exhibited to the Selectmen before the Annual meeting so that such of them may be laid before the town as may be necessary

14th To act on any other business which maybe necessary and proper when met

Given under our hands and Seals this sixteenth day of Febuary one thousand eight hundred and twenty four

Timothy Carter } Selectmen
Phinehas Frost } Bethel

Bethel March 1st 1824

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant I have notified and summoned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Purkins P. Moulton Constable of Bethel

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March 1st 1824

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the following votes were passed VIZ

- 1st Made choice of Capt. Timothy Hastings Moderator
- 2^d Voted to excuse Capt. T. Hastings from serving
- 3^d Made choice of Moses Mason Esq Moderator
- 4th Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk
- 5th Made choice of Capt. J. Abbot 1st Selectman
- 6th Voted to excuse him from serving
- 7th Voted Phinehas Frost be 1st Selectman
- 8th Voted that Jedediah Burbank be 2^d Selectman
- 9th Voted Timothy Hastings be 3^d Selectman
- 10th Voted that Phinehas Frost Jedediah Burbank and Timothy Hastings be the Assessors-by Ballot
- 11th Voted that Barb^r Bartlett be Treasurer

Highway Surveyors

Jonathan Powers	Eli Grover Jr.
John Y. Dustin	Israel Kimball Jr.
Reuben Bartlett excused	Apheus Swan
Ebenezer Eames Jr.	Joshua Bean
Thaddeus Twitchell	Elias Bartlett excused
Ebenezer Richardson	Richard Estes
Capt. Sam ^l Barker	Luther Bean excused
John A. Twitchell excused	Benj ^a Ests
John Mills	Thomas Cushman
James Wheeler	Peter Estes
William Estes	John Stevens affirmed
Abejah Lapam	

Voted that Israel Kimball be Pound Keeper

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Surveyors of Lumber

Joseph Twitchell X	Jonathan Powers
Israel Kimball	Charles Mason

Tything Men

Jedediah Burbank excused Robbins Brown excused
Levi Shaw X William Staples excused Elhanan Bartlett
excused O,Neil W. Robinson excused Norman Clark excused
Samuel Chapman sworn Peregarine Bartlett sworn

School Committee

William Frye Timothy Carter Phinehas Frost excused Ehias
Bartlett

Field Drivers

Voted to choose three only

Joseph C. Walker James F. Carter and James A. S. Bartlett

Fence Viewers

Capt Samuel Barker Israel Kimball Jonas Willis

The foregoing persons chosen into office who were not excused
nor have this mark X affixed to their names were sworn to the
faithful performance of their several Officers in open town
meeting as the law directs

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Voted to omit choosing Constable & Collector till after the
money is raised

Voted to raise fifteen hundred dollars for the repair of High-
ways

Voted to include the repairing of Bridges in the sum of the
fifteen hundred dollars

Voted that the Selectmen employ a man to superintend the building
of Bare R. Bridge

Voted to reconsider the last vote

Voted to choose a Committee to superintend the repairing of
Bare R. Bridge and other bad place in said Bethel

Voted that Israel Kimball Timothy Bean and Amos Hills be this

Committee

Voted that the expences necessary for s^d repairs that cannot be done by Highway labour may be taken out of the money raised to defray town charges

Voted that the Committee attend to this business immediately

Voted that we raise money for schooling as the Law provides

Voted to allow Sam^l. B. Lockes account for supporting Burry Colby Struck off the child of Suky Farwell to Benj Estes at seventy cents per week for one year

Struck off Mrs. Reynolds to Otis Grover at forty six cents per week for one year or untill her husban returns or some other provision is made for her support

Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first monday in April at 10 Oclock A. M. at this place

Moses Mason Esq Moderator

Attest Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

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April 5 1824

Pursuant to the adjournment of March meeting the meeting was opened and the following votes were passed VIZ.

Voted that the Trustees take Fund money to procure Books necessary for thier Business

Voted to allow Timothy Carters account \$ 14.52

Voted to allow James Walkers account 17.00

Voted to allow Phinehas Frosts account 30.00

Voted to allow O'Neil W. Robinsons - 3.40

Voted to allow Daniel Groats account 8.00

Voted to allow Timothy Hastings -- 8.00

Voted to allow Eli Twitchell Esq account 10.00

Voted to allow J. Burbanks account 8.00

Voted to allow Rev. Charles Frosts account 3.00

Voted that the Assessors make such abatements on Otis Grovers Taxbills as they think proper and lay the same before the Town

Voted to adjourn this meeting one half hour

Pursuant to the adjournment the meeting was opened and the following votes were passed Voted that the Assessors for the year 1822 explain the occassion of so large amount of abatement made in that year

Voted to abate the following taxes in Otis Grovers tax bills
VIZ. Thomas Coffins \$2.12 William Grover s 0.99 Elias
Russells \$1.50 Edward Reynolds 0.99 Samuel Tylers 0.99
Thomas Walden \$1.17 Isaac York \$4.34 Jonathan Fowler 0.99
Absotha Bean \$3.02

Voted to raise five hundred to defray town charges the present year

Voted to set the collection of taxes up to be struck off to the lowest bider

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Who will procure bondsmen when the Town will accept and who with his Bondsmen will come forward previous to the expiration of one year and give a Confession note to the Treasurer of Bethel for the balance then remaining in the Collectors hands unsettled

Struck off to Capt Jon^a Abbot at three cts and nine mills on the dollar

Capt J. Abbot not procuring Bondsmen the collection of taxes was set up the 2^d time and struck off to Thaddeus P. Bartlett at four cents and eight mills on the dollar and he presented Edmond Bean and Elhanan Bartlett as his Bondsmen and the Town voted to accept them as such

Voted that Thaddeus P. Bartlett be collector of taxes the present year

Voted that Thadeus P. Bartlett be Constable of the Town of Bethel the year ensuing And he was sworn to the faithful performance

of the several Officers as the Law directs in open town meeting
Voted to set off three lots of ten lots in a line at the
south east corner of Bethel as a new school District
Voted that Aaron Frost be set on to Perigrine Bartletts School
District
Voted that mans labour be twelve cents per hour on the highway
and Ox labour ten cents per
Voted to leave the finishing of Bare River Bridge discretionary
with the Committee of said Bridge

Carried up

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Voted that Samuel B. Locke be Agent to the Court of Sessions
to oppose the acceptance of a Road from Jason Shermans Esq to
Capt Eli Twitchells

A Road

Agreeable to a petition of John Estes & others Laid out the
following road Beginning at a stake and Stones on the east line
of land owned by Timothy Carter and William Farwell Running S.
42 Deg. E. 60 Rods the same being between said Farwells house
and Barn thence South 5 Deg. E. 138 Rods thence S. 42 D. E. 40
Rods thence S. 35 D. E 17 Rods thence E. 10 D. S 60 Rods thence
33 D. E. 240 Rods thence S. 18 D. W. 70 Rods thence S. 22 D. W.
60 Rods

James Walker } Selectman of Bethel
August 30th 1823 Jonathan Abbot } Per order of the Selectmen
of Bethel

Voted to accept the above Road from John Estes to Thomas Cushmans

A Road

Agreeable to a Petition laid ou(t) the following Road Beginning
on the line between Timothy Capen and Simean Browns at the road
that is now traveled between them thence S. 20 D. E. 136 Rods
Thence South 71 Deg. E. 31 Rods thence South 80 Deg. E. 44 Rods

Thence south 46 D. E 123 Rods Thence E 6 Deg. North 88 Rods
to Urban Shareys

Sept 1st 1823

Phinehas Frost } By order
Harmon Holt } of the
Selectmen
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Agreeable to a Petition of Aaron Mason and others to lay out
a Road from Aaron Masons to Timothy Chapmans Hill run E 15 Deg
South 238 Rods North of the Burying Ground thence E. 30 Deg
South 102 Rods to the gate near Aaron Masons House —

Sept. 2^d 1823

Phinehas Frost } By order
Eli Twitchell } of the Selectmen

A Road Laid out from Jacob Kimballs to Soloman Annas
Beginning 60 Rods from the corner on the East line of lot No.
5 in the 3^d Range Thence South 25 Deg. West 120 Rods Thence
South 14 Deg. West 66 Rods thence South 14 West 106 thence South
20 Deg. West 200 Rods then South 47 Deg. West 76 Rods thence
South 11 Deg. West 20 Rods thence South 23 Deg. West 60 rods to
Soloman Anniss

Decm. 1823

Phinehas Frost } Selectman
of Bethel

By Order

A Bridle Road Laid out from John Estes to the County Road
near Arnold Powers in Bethel Beginning at said Estes North
Corner Running North 36 Deg. West 110 Rods thence North 12 Deg.
West 44 Rods thence North 32 Deg. West 44 Rods to the County
Road

Decm. 1823 Phinehas Frost By order of the Selectmen of Bethel

Sept 13 1824

To Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable of the Town of Bethel
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warne the Inhabitans of said Town, qualified according to the Constitution to assemble at the Centre Meeting House on the thirteenth day of September nex at twelve oclock at noon, to give in their votes for Governor, for two Senators, and for one Representative in the Legislature

Given under our hands at said Bethel the thirtieth day of August A. D. 1824

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jedediah Burbank } of
Timothy Hastings } Bethel

Bethel Sept. 1st 1824

Pursuant to the above Warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the the purposes within mentioned

Thaddues P. Bartlett Constable
of Bethel

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September 13th 1824

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and the Inhabitants gave in their votes for Governor as follows

For Albion K. Parris Ninety one - 91

For Senators as follows

For Nath^l Howe & Seth Morse

fifty eight - - - 58

For James W. Ripley and Cornelius Holland

fifteen - - - - - 15

For Seth Morse and Cornelius Holland

one - - - - - 1

Pursuant to the above Warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable of
Bethel

Pursuant to the above Warrant the the Inhabitants met and gave
in their votes for a County Treasurer as follows

For Henry Rust Esq fifty eight 58

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To Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to
vote in town affairs to assemble at the Centre Meeting House
on Monday the thirteenth day of September next at two of the
oclock P. M. to give in their votes on rather to act on the
following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see if the town will vote accept the alteration in
Grover Hill Road through Amasa Clarks land made by the
Selectmen on the tenth of April last
- 3^d To see if the town will vote to discontinue that part of
John Estes Road from Thomas Cushmans to John Estes and
accept that part laid out from Estes to William Farwells
- 4th To see what method the Town will take to dispense with
Shermans Road
- 5th To see if the Town will vote to Petition the next Legisla-
ture for a division of the town and to annex on such
other land as may be thought benefcial
- 6th To see if the town will pay twenty cents in money in stead
of the Rations required
- 7th To see what method the town will take to dispence with the
Petition of James Walker and Other concerning annexing
Part of Greenwood to this town

carried up

8th To act on any other business the town think proper when met
 Given under our hands this thirteenth day of August
 A. D. 1824

Phinehas Frost	}	Selectmen of Bethel
Jedediah Burbank		
Timothy Hastings		

Bethel September 1st 1824

Pursuant to the above Warrant I notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Thaddeus P. Bartlett } Constable
 of Bethel

September 13th 1824

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and the following votes were passed to wit

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr. Moderator
- 2^d Voted to accept the alteration made by the Selectmen in the road from Grover Hill through Amasa Clarks land
- 3^d Voted to choose a Committee to appraise the damage The town choose Charles Stearns and Clarke chose James Walker to appraise the damage
- 4th Voted to discontinue that part of the road from Thomas Cushmans to John Estes and voted to accept that part laid out from Estes to W^m Farwells
- 5th Voted to choose an Agent to go to the Court of Sessions
 Turn over

- 6th Made choice Doct. John Grover as Agent to oppose the road from Capt E. Twitchell to Jason Shermans and favour its going by Elijah Grovers

- 7th Voted to choose the Selectmen as a Committee to examine the road from Locks Mills to Abbots Mills and give the Agent instructions
- 8th Voted that the following names as Jurors be put into the Jury Box
- 9th Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first monday in Novem. next at ten oclock A. M.

Moses Mason Esq. Moderator
Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Jonathan Abbot
Amos Andrews
Timothy Bean
Elias Bartlett
Barb^r Bartlett
Luther Bean
Robbins Brown
Sam^l Chapman
Norman Clark
Eben^r Eames Jr.
Israel Kimball
Asa Kimball

John Merrill
O,Neil W. Robinson
Thaddeus Twitchell
Ezra Twitchell
Ebenz^r Richardson
B ezaleel Kimball
Amos Gage Jr.
Phinehas Frost
Jedediah Burbank
Timothy Hastings
Peter York

Jury Box revised Sept. 1824

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Alteration in Grover Hill Road through Amasa Clarks land

April 10th 1824 Met on said

Road Begun on the County Road Near Mason Grovers run south 23 Deg. West 54 rods thence South 35 D. West 24 Rods to west corner of the Burying Ground Said Road to be 3 Rods wide

Phinehas Frost
Jedediah Burbank
Timothy Hastings } Selectmen
of Bethel

To Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
summon and notify the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote
for Representatives to meet at the centre Meeting House on
Monday the first day of Nov^m next at twelve oclock at noon to
give in their for one Elector of President and Vice President
of the United States for this District and for Electors at
large

Given under our hands this 22^d day of October A. D. 1824

Jedediah Burbank Selectmen
Timothy Hastings of Bethel

Nov^m 1st 1824

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant I have notified and
warned the Inhabitants of s^d town qualified as therein expres-
sed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within
mentioned

Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable of
Bethel
turn over

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Nov^m 1st 1824

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and the
Inhabitants gave in their votes for Electors as follows

1st For two at large

For	William Chadwick	Seventeen each	17
	Peleg Talman		

For	James Campbell	Thirteen each	13
	Thomas Phillebrown		

2^d For Oxford District

For Hon. Benjamin Chandler forty four

Phinehas Frost Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

The adjournment of September meeting should have been recorded
before the proceedings of the last meeting —

Nov^m 1st 1824

Pursuant to the adjournment of Sept meeting the meeting was
opened and the following votes were passed as follows viz

- 1st Voted to pass over the 5th and 6th articles
- 2^d Voted to give our Representative instruction to support
the Remonstrance now before the Legislature against the
Petition of James Walker and others
- 3 Voted to accept the following Road laid out agreeable to
the Petition of John Cushman and Others
- 4 Voted to accept the report of Charles Stearns and James
Walker

carried up

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who reported that the Town pay Amasa Clarke twelve dollars
(d)amage

Moses Mason Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

A Road laid out agreeable to the Pettition of John
Cushman and others
Beg un two rods West of Jonah Browns Barn Run North 20 Deg.
West 100 Rods by James Hodscons to the road leading by Elijah
Bartletts

June 1824

Phinehas Frost By the order of the Selectman
of Bethel

Warrant March 7th 1825

To Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable of the town of Bethel Greeting
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
 summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified
 qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Centre
 Meeting House in said Bethel on Monday the seventh day of March
 next at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following
 artcils VIZ.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d Meeting
- 2^d To choose a Clerk
- 3 To choose 3 or more Selectmen
- 4 To choos 3 or more Assessors
- 5 To choose a Treasurer for s^d Town
- 6 To choose a Constable
- 7 To choose a Collector of Taxes
- 8 To choose Highway Surveyors
- 9 To choose a School Committee
- 12 To raise money to defray to charges
- 10 To choose all other town officers that the Law requires
- 11 To raise money for the support of schools
- 13 To raise money to repair Highways
- 14 To see whether the town will pay the Soldiers money pations
- 15 To see if the Town will divide Laphams School District
- 16 To see if the town will divide the the school District on
 Grover Hill

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- 17 To see what method the Town will take to dispence with
 certain pieces of Rod laid out in said town.
- 18 To act on any other matters the town shall think proper
 when met

Given under our hands this twenty fifth day of February
 A. D. 1825

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jedediah Burbank } of Bethel

February 27th 1825

Pursuant to the above warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and for the purposes within mentioned

Thaddeus P. Bartlett Constable
of Bethel

March 7th 1825

Pursuant to the above Warrant the meeting was opened and the following votes were passed in the following manner

- 1st Made choice of Doct. Moses Mason Moderator
- 2^d Made choice of Barbr^r Bartlett Town Clerk
- 3 Made choice of Phinehas Frost 1st Selectman
- 4 Made choice of Jedediah Burbank 2^d Selectman
- 5 Made choice of Timothy Hastings 3^d Selectman
- 6 Made choice of Phinehas Frost Jedediah Burbank and Timothy Hastings by Ballot for Assessors
- 7 Made choice of Barbr Bartlett Treasurer for the town of Bethel

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Voted to pass over the 6 & 7 article for the present

Voted to set up the collection of taxes to be struck off to the Lowest Bider He being being laid under the same restrictions that the Collector was last year Struck off to Aaron Mason at 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ present he being the lowest bider

Made choice of Aaron Mason Constable

Made choice of Aaron Mason Collector and he presented Charles Stearns James Walker and Doct. Moses Mason for his Bondsmen and the town voted to accept them as such

Made choice of the following persons

Highways Surveyors

Elias Bartlett excused	Robbins Brown excused
Peter Kimball	John Hastings
Simeon Brown	Perkins P. Moulton
Benj ^e Estes	Lawson Mason
John Sanborn	Ebenez ^r Greenwood excused
Mr. Lapham excused	Elijah Bartlett
Calab Bessey Jr.	Elhanan Bartlett
Levi Berry Jr.	John Y. Dustin
Joseph C. Walker excused	Luther Eames
Capt. Jon ^a Abbot excused	Timothy Hastings excused
James Walker	William Holt
Timothy Chapman	Nathan Eames
Richard Estes	Jene Bean

School Committee

Timothy Carter William Frye Esq and Moses Bartlett —
The Town Clerk and Treasurer were Sworn by the Moderator in
open town meeting by the Moderator as the Law directs
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Voted to adjourn this meeting $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour to this place
Pursuant to the adjournment the meeting was opened and proceeded
to Business as follows

Made choice of the following Officers

Simeon Sanborn	Jesse Cross	Surveyors
Bezaleel Kindall	Nathan Eames	of
Joseph Twitchell	Capt J. Abbot	Lumber
Edmond Bean	X	

Tythingmen

Capt. Jon^a Abbot George Tucker X James Walker excused Theodore
Stearns X Perigrine Bartlett Charles Stearns excused Amos
Gage Abijah Lapham excused Robbins Brown Jonas Willis excused

James Wheeler Benjamin Sweat
Pound Keeper Israel Kimball

Field Drivers

Joseph C. Walker excused Timothy Barker X Samuel B. Lock
Nathan Eames X Amos Andrews Nath¹ Greenwood X Luther Eames
James M. Pote excused Sylvanus Twitchell

Fence Viewers

Capt Jon^a Abbot Stephen Bartlett
Aaron Mason Benjamin Estes
Ephraim Rowe X

Oxford ss. March 7th 1825 Personally appeared the above named
Town Officerers who were not excused and who have not this mark
affixed to their names except the Town Clerk and Treasurer and
were severally sworn to the faithful performance of their
several respective Officers

Before me Barb^r Bartlett Justice of Peace

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Turn over

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Voted to raise the school money by the schollar as the Law
provides

Voted to raise three hundred dollars to defray town charges

Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the repair of Highways

Voted that the Town provide rations for the soldiers and not
money

Voted to pass over the 15th article

Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moderator to close this meeting
in consequence of Doct. M. Mason being called away

Voted to pass over the 16 Article till the next annual meeting
and that the Petitions receive their proportion of school money
according to the number of their Schoolars by their petitioning

the Selectmen in season for the Same

Voted to pass over the 17th Article

Voted that mans labour be 12 cts per hour

Voted that ox labour be 12 cts per hour on the Highways

Voted to set up the child of Susanna Farwell to be struck off to the lowest Bider

She was struck off to William Staples at sixty cents per week for one year

Voted that the Selectmen provide discretionary for the remainder of the Poor

Voted to allow the following accounts

Doct. Moses Mason - - - \$5.09

Phinehas Frost - - - 27.00

Jedediah Burbank - - - 24.00

carried up

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Timothy Hastings account - - \$19.00

Perigaine Bartlett account --

Voted that the future meetings in No 4 School District on the south side of the River will be notified and warned by the Clerk, s^d posting up notification in two or more public places within s^d District at least seven days previous to said meetings on application of three or more of the legal voters of s^d District in writing and it shall be the duty of said Clerk to notify and warn said meetings an application as a fore said

Voted that Each school District may choose their own school Agents

Voted that this meeting be dissolved

Phinehas Frost Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Sept 12th 1825

To Aaron Mason Constable of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town qualified according to the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting house in said town on monday the twelfth day of September next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon To give in their votes for Governor Senators and for one Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands at said Bethel this twenty seventh day of August AD. 1825

Phinehas Frost	}	Selectmen
Timothy Hastings		of Bethel

September 5th 1825 Pursuant to the with
I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Aaron Mason Constable of Bethel
Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the Inhabitants gave in their votes for Governor as follows VIZ

For Albion K. Paris

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For Senators as follows

Nashe Howe	- - - -	32
Moses Mason Jr	- - -	24
Peter C. Virgin	- - -	29
For Levi Hubbard	- - -	9
Cornelius Holland	- - -	2
Joseph Howard	- - -	2
Phinehas Frost	- - -	1
Josiah Shaw	-- -- --	1

For Representative as follows

Timothy Hastings	-- -- --	59
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Phinehas Frost -- -- -- 43

O,Neil W. Robinson -- -- - 1

To Aaron Mason Constable of the town of Bethel you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified according to the Constitution to assemble at the centre meeting house in said town on monday the twelfth day of Sept next at one of the clock in the afternoon to give in their votes for a county Treasurer

Given under our hands this 27th day of August

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Timothy Hastings } of Bethel

September 5th 1825 Pursuant to the within I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of s^d Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Aaron Mason Constable of Bethel

For County Treasurer as follows

For Henry Rust Esq -- -- 13

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September 12th 1825

To Aaron Mason Constable of the Town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to noify and warn the Inhabitants of said town qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre meeting house on monday the twelfth day of September next at two of the clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To chose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see what method the town will take to make the new peice of County Road laid out near Whales Back in said town
- 3^d To act on any other matters the town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this 27 day of August 1825

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Timothy Hastings } of Bethel

September 5th 1825 Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of s^d Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Aaron Mason Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened and

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr Moderator
- 2 Voted to set up the building of the new road near Whales Back to be struck off to the lowest bidder with this Proviso VIZ. That the town may act discretionary not with standing carried up

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Said road struck off to Isaac Twombly at one hundred and ninety eight dollars said road to be compleated before next next June Court of the said Twombly to pay all damage

- 3^d Voted to postpone the acceptance of that alteration in the road near Luther Lockes Store untill the next meeting and have the minds of the District taken relative to said alteration
- 4th Voted that the Selectmen give the Surveyors of the three nearest Highway Districts to go on to the road leading from the lower part of Bethel to Norway by Lockes Mills as far as Greenwood line and the Road leading from Abbots Mills on the east side of the river to Lockes Mills as far as Greenwood line and to work on said roads all the delinquent highway taxes in said District
- 5th Voted that the Selectmen order the Surveyors of such Districts as they think proper on to the above roads sufficient to make the same
- 6th Voted that the Selectmen trye the strength of the Mortgage

Deed given to the Town by James Grover and act discretionary
relative to the same

Moses Mason Esq Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Warrant March 6th 1826

To Aaron Mason Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
Summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote
in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting house in said
town on Monday the sixth day of March next at ten of the clock
in the fore noon to act on the following articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Clerk for said Town
- 3^d To see if the town will reiceve & allow accounts
- 4th To choose three or more Selectmen
- 5th To choose three or more Assessors
- 6th To raise money for the support of Schoolars
- 7th To raise money for defray town charges
- 8th To raise money to repair Highways
- 9th To choose a Collector for said Town
- 10th To choose a Constable for said Town
- 11th To choose three School Committee
- 12th To choose Highway Surveyors
- 13th To choose Fence Viewers
- 14th To choos Field Drivers
- 15th To choos Tythingmen
- 16th To choose Agents for each School Districts
- 17th To choose Surveyors of Lumber
- 18th To choose a Treasurer for s^d Town
- 19th To choose all other Town Officers
- 20 To see if the town will divide Lapham school District

carried up

- 21th To see if the town will divide Grover Hill scho District
 22^d To see if the town will annex the following lots of land
 in Greenwood VIZ 1st in the 1st 1st in the 2^d and the 2^d
 in the 2^d to the town of Bethel
 23^d To see if the Town will cause certain peices of Road to be
 laid wider in said Town
 24th To act on any other matter the town may think proper when
 met

Given under our hands at said Bethel this 24th day of
 Feb^r 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
 Jedediah Burbank } of
 Bethel

February 26th 1826

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant I have notified and sum-
 moned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for
 the purposes within mentioned

Aaron Mason } Constable of said Bethel

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March 6th 1826

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at
 the time and place and the following were taken VIZ.

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr. Esq Moder^{tr}
 2^d Made choice of B Bartlett Town Clerk
 3^d Voted to allow the Selectmens accounts \$55.00
 4th Voted to allow Eli Twitchell accounts as Trustee for 1825
 9.00
 5th Voted to allow Deac. S. Barkers for dito 1.00
 6th Voted to allow Capt J Abbots for dito 1.25
 7th Voted to allow Nathan Eames account on on his next Highway
 tax -- -- -- \$5.30
 8th Made choice of Phinehas 1st Selectman

- 9th Made choice of Jedediadiah Burbank 2^d dito
- 10th Made choice of Israel Kimball 3^d dito
- 11th Voted to excuse him from Serving
- 12th Made choice Eb^r. Eames Jr 3^d Selectman
- 13th Made choice of Phinehas Frost Jedediah Burbank & Eben Eames as Assessors chosen by Ballot
- 14th Voted to adjourn fifteen minutes Agreeable to adjournment the meeting was opened
- 15th Voted to allow John Holts account for the years 1825 & 1826 as Trustee -- \$1.00
- 16th Voted raise money for the support of schools as the law provides
- 17th Voted to raise four hundred dollars to defray town charges
- 18th Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the repair of Highways
- 19th Voted to set up the collection of taxes to be struck off to the lowest Bidder

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He being laid and in the same restrictions that the Collector was in 1824 & 1825

Struck off to Elijah Grover at 3½ per cent he being the lowest bidder

- 20th Voted to pass over the 9 & 10 articles for the present
 - 21 Made choice of William Frye Timothy Carter and Elias Bartlett Esqs. for the School Committee
- Elijah Grover came forward with Walter Mason, John Mills George W. Grover and Amasa Clarke for his Bondsmen and the town voted to accept them as such

Highway Surveyors

Edmond Seager	Joseph Sanborn excused
Perigrine Bartlett	Walter Mason Jr.
Reuben Bartlett	George W. Grover
Ezra Twitchell excused	Joseph C. Walker

Eben^r Richardson X
Eli Estes
Elihu Killgore X
Ephraim Powers excuse
Edmond Bean
Hiram Holt
Sylvanus Twitchell excused
James Walker X
Eli Grover Jr.

John Cushman X
Hezekiah Moody
Jacob Kimball
Thaddus Twitchell X
Timothy Bean excused
Bezaleet Kendall
Robbins Brown X

Field Drivers

Aaron Mason
Ebenzr Bean
Foster Farwell

Sylvanus Twitchell
Jefferson Howard X
Thomas Goss

Fence Viewers

Elihu Bean
William Stapes

Ebenezer Eames Jr X
John Bean X

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Tything Men

Capt. Jonathan Abbot
Perigrine Bartlett X
John Barker
Nathan Bartlett X

Jonas Willis X
Jecch Burbank X
Abijah Lapham
Reubin Bartlett

Voted that each school District choose their own school Agent

Surveyors of Lumber

Capt. J. Abbot
Joseph Twitchell
Capt. J. Powers X

Timothy Barker X
Bezaleel Kimball

Voted that B. Bartlett be Town Treasurer

Oxford ss. March 6 1826 Personally appeared all the above named Officers except the Town Clerk and Treasurer and those who have this mark X to their name and were sworn as the Law directs before me

Barb^r Bartlett Justice of the Peace

Personally appeared the Town Clerk and Treasurer in Town meeting
and were sworn as the law directs before Moses Mason Jr Justice
of the Peace

Voted to divide Laphams school District between the 6th and 7th
Lots

Voted that the Selectmen examine Grover Hill school District as
to the expediency of dividing the same

Voted to pay the money to the Soldiers and not the Rations
carried up

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Voted to allow Timothy Carters account for attending Trustee
meetings -- -- -- \$1.00

Voted that the Surveyors of Bethel have orders to make the roads
in s^d town proper width Susan Farwells child set up to be struck
off to the lowest bidder who is to free the town from all expence
Said child struck off to William Staples at eighty six cents per
week Staples not taking it the said child was set up the second
time on the same terms and struck off to Jacob Littlehale at
eighty six cts per week

Moses Mason Jr. Esq Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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September 11th 1826

To David Gerry one of the inhabitants of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine
to summon and notify the Inhabitants of s^d Bethel qualified to
vote in to town affairs to to assemble at the centre Meeting
house on Monday the eleventh day of Septr next at ten of the Oclock
in the fore to act on the following articles VIZ.

PLEASE RETURN TO THE
Bethel Historical Society
BETHEL, MAINE 04217

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see what method the Town will take with certain people that have become chargeable
- 3^d To see what method the town will take to dispence with a certain Petition signed by Col. Eli Twithcell and others
- 4th To see what method the Town will take to dispence with a Petition of Jabez P. Bradbury
- 5th To see what method the Town will take to dispence with certain pecies of Road in s^d Town
- 6th To see what method the Town will take to rebuild Bare River Bridge and others and to raise money for the same
- 7th To act on any other matters the Town may think proper when met

Given under our hands this 30 th day of August 1826

Jed^h Burbank Selectmen
Phinehas Frost of Bethel

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Bethel September 11th 1826

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Town qualified as therin expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

David Gerry

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the Inhabitants met and Proceeded to business

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr Moderator
- 2^d Made choice of William Frye Clerk pro tempore
- 3^d Voted that the Selectmen shall act discetion ally with regard to accommening a suit against any town for the support of Isaac Frost which shall appear liable and also that the maintenance of the Frost shall be put up and bide off and was struck of to and was struck off to Perigrine Bartlett at ninety two cents per week he being the lowest bider

- 4th Voted that the support and maintenance of Calvin Twitchell be left discretionally with the Overseers of the Poor
- 5th Voted to allow Jacob B. Littlehale ten dollars in addition to the sum to which he is entitled for maintaining a Pauper child which he bid off at the last annual meeting
- 6th Voted that the subject of running a line from the north west corner to the south west corner of this town be left to the discretion of the Selectmen
- 7th Voted to pass over the fourth article in the warrant for this meeting

carried over

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- 8th Voted to accept the road the road from James Wheelers to John Grovers and another Road near Whales Back so called
- 9th Voted that the Selectmen appropriate the Nonresident Highway tax in building and repairing the County Road leading from Capt. Jonathan Abbots Builds to Greenwood line by and near the Mills of S. B. Locke and if the said tax should not be sufficient then they are to complete the same at the expence of the Town
- 10th Voted to elect a Committee of three to examine and report the site for Bare River Bridge And made choice of Israel Kimball Eli Twitchell Esq and Capt Timothy Hastings for said Committee
- 11th Voted to adjourn this meeting one week from this day at this place at two o'clock P.M.

Attest William Frye Clerk Pro tem

A true copy

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

A Road

Agreeable to a petition from James Wheeler and others to lay out a road from James Wheelers to the Road leading from Otis Grovers to John Grovers

Beginning at James Wheelers house running North 30 Deg. West 26 rods thence North 30 Deg. West 18 Rods thence North 19 Rods thence North 27 Deg East 48 Rods thence North 26 Deg West 136 Rods thence north 20 Deg West 78 Rods to Said Road

Bethel May 11th 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of
Bethel

A Road

Agreeable to a petition of Caleb Berry and others

Begun on Bethel South line between lots No 3 and 4 run North 20 Degs West 38 Rods thence Due North 64 Rods Thence North 5 Deg. West 40 Rods thence North 19 Rods to land owned by John Twambly said Road to be 3 Rods wide and a Bridle Road

September 2^d 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Eben^r Eames } of
Bethel

To David Gerry one of the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town qualified according to the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said Town on Monday the eleventh day of September next at 12 O'clock at noon to give in their votes for a Governor, for two Senators and one Representative in the next Legislature
To give in their votes for County Treasurer

To give notice that the Selectmen will be in session at the Centre Meeting House on the morning of the day of Election at nine O'clock in the morning to review evidence of the qualifications of Persons whose names have not been entered on the list of voters.

Given under our hands at said Bethel the twenty eighth of August AD. 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of
Ebenr Eames } Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

David Gerry

Sept. 11th 1826

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September 11th 1826

Pursuant to notice the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified by the Constitution of this State met and gave their votes for Govern, Senators and Representative to the State Legislature and for County Treasurer and Register of Deeds for Oxford eastern District as follows VIZ.

		votes
1 st	For Governor } Enoch Lincoln has	92
2 ^d	For Senators { Ruel Washburn had	69
	John Grover Esq had	68
	James Steel Esq had	-- 01
	James W. Ripley had	--02
	Levi Whitman had	-- 01

For	George W. Chapman had	71
Representative	John Mason - had --	26
to the next	Levi Whitman - had --	02
Legislative	James W. Ripley - had --	02
For County	Henry Rust Esq - had	12
Treasurer	James W. Ripley had --	02
	Levi Whitman had --	01
For Regester	Alanson Mellen Esq had --	27
of Deeds	Levi Whitman Esq had --	04

Attest William Frye Clerk pro Tem
a true copy

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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To Elijah Grover Constable of the Town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the in the name of the State of
Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Bethel
qualified by the Constitution to meet at the centre Meeting
House on Monday the eleventh day of Sept. present month at one
O'clock P. M. to give in their votes for a Representative to
fill the vacancy occassioned by the resignation of Enoch Lincoln
Esq to the present Congress

Given under our hands this 4th day of September in the
year of Lord 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jedh. Burbank } of
Bethel

Bethel Sept 11 • 1826

Pursuant to the within

PLEASE RETURN TO THE
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BETHEL, MAINE 04217

Warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the within
named Inhabitants to meet at the the time and place and for the
purposes within mentioned by posting the same in a public place
in said Bethel seven days at least before the meeting_____

Elijah Grover Constable of Bethel

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Sept. 11. 1826

Pursuant to notice the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified by Me
Constitution met and gave in their votes for a Representative to
Congress to fill the vacancy occassioned by the resignation of
Hon. Enoch Lincoln

For Levi Whitman Esq thirty seven -- 37

Hon. James W. Ripley eightyeight 88

Attest William Frye Clerk Pro. Tem.

A true Copy Attest

Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Sept. 11th 1826

To Elijah Grover Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by the
Constitution to vote for a Representative to meet at the Centre
meeting House on Monday the eleventh day of Sept. the present
month at two O'clock P. M. to give in their votes for one Repre-
sentative for the next 20^(th) Congress

Given under our hands this 4th day of Sept. AD. 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jedh Burbank } of
Bethel

Bethel Sept 11th 1826

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants within named to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned By posting the same in a public place in said Bethel seven days at least before the time of meeting

Elijah Grover Constable of Bethel

Bethel 11th Sept

Pursuant to notice the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified by the Constitution, met and gave their votes for a Representative to the twentieth Congress of the United States VIZ.

For	{	Hon James W. Ripley eighty four	84
		Levi Whitman Esq thirty two	32
		John Hastings one	1

Attest William Frye Clerk pro tem

A true Copy Attest

Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Pursuant to the adjournment of a meeting held on the 11th of Sept. 1826

Sept 18th the meeting was opened the Moderator being not present

- 1st Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moderator
- 2 Made choice of Jed Burbank Clerk pro tem who was sworn by the Moderator
- 3^d Voted to adjourn to Bare River Bridge at 3 Oclock P. M.
- 4th Voted that the Selectmen attend to the order of notice served by the Committee of Albany
- 5th Voted to rebuild Bare River Bridge with long Stringers supported overhead with braces agreeable to the plan of the Committee
- 6th Voted to vendue said Bridge to be completed by the first day of December next to the lowest bidder to the acceptance

of a Committee And it was struck off to Phinehas Frost at one hundred and twenty dollars to be paid the first of March next
7th Voted that Jed^h Burbank, Israel Kimball, Timothy Hastings, Eli Twitchell and Timothy Bean be this Committee

8th Voted that the Jury metings be warned by notifying the Town Clerk and Selectmen

9 Voted to adjourn this meeting to the Centre Meeting House the first Monday of Decem next at one Oclock P. M.

A true record Jed^h Burbank Clerk Pro Tem

A true Copy Attest Barb^r Bartlett

Town Clerk

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To Elijah Grover Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by law to meet at the Centre Meeting House on Monday the twenty seventh day of the present month at twelve O'clock at noon to give in their votes for a Represenative that is an Inhabitant of said District to fill the vacancy occassioned by the resignation of the Hon Enoch Lincoln

Given under our hands this 13th day of Nov^m. AD. 1826

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of
Bethel

Oxford ss. Nov^m 27th 1826

Pursuant to the within warrant I notified the Inhabitants of said Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named

Elijah Grover } Constable of Bethel

Bethel Nov^m 27th 1826

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and the Inhabitants proceed to give in their Votes for a Representative

as follows VIZ

For Hon. James W. Ripley twenty three

For Col. Samuel A. Bradley six

Sylvanus Twitchell Clerk Pro Tem

A true Copy Attest Barbr Bartlett Town Clerk

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To Elijah Grover Constable of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine

To summon and notify the qualified voters of the Town of Bethel
to meet at the centre Meeting House on Monday the twenty seventh
day of the present month at one O'clock P. M. to act on the

following Articles VIZ

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
- 2^d To see if the Town will raise money to pay the expence of
Building Bare River Bridge and other expences which has
occured aganist said Town
- 3^d To transact any business that may be proper when met

Given under our hands this 13 day of November AD. 1826

Phinehas Frost Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank of Bethel

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Bethel Nov^m 27th 1826

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified and warned the
Inhabitants of said Bethel to meet at the time and place and for
The purposes within mentioned Elijah Grover Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and
proceeded to act on the following articles VIZ

- 1st Made choice of Jonathan A. Russell Moderator to govern said meeting
- 2^d Voted that the Selectmen hire such sums of Money as will be sufficient to defray the expences of the Town the current year, which are not otherways provided for
- 3^d Voted that the transportation of Calvin Twitchell and family consisting of his Wife and three children together with their bedding and wearing apparel to the State of New York in the County of Oneida be put up to vendue provided the said Calvin and Family will consent to go and the Selectmen can furnish the money necessary for said purpose

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The transportation of Said Twitchell and Family afore said was struck off to George Bean for the sum of eighty four dollars and fifty cents he being the lowest Bider therefor

Sylvanus Twitchell Clerk pro tem

Atrue copy

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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March 5 1827

To David Gerry one of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bethel

Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting house in saidtown on Monday the fifth day of March next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to Govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Town Clerk
- 3^d To choose three or more Selectmen
- 4th To choose three or more Assessors
- 5th To choose a Town Treasurer
- 6th To raise money to defray town charges
- 7th To raise money for schooling in S^d Town
- 8th To raise money to repair Highways
- 9th To choose Collector or Collectors
- 10th To choose a Constable or Constables
- 11th To choose 2 or more Fence Viewers
- 12th To choose Highway Surveyors
- 13th To choose Surveyors of Lumber
- 14th To choose Tythingmen
- 15th To choose Field Drivers
- 16th To choose 3 School Committee
- 17th To choose School Agents for each District
- 18th To receive and allow Accounts
- 19th To see if the town will vote to provide Rations for the Soldiers
- 20th To see if the town will despende with certain peices of Roads and town lines

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- 21st To See what method the Town will take to dispende with the Poor
- 22^d To act on any articles the town Shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this 19th day of Feb. AD. 1827

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
 Jedh Burbank } of
 Eben^r Eames Jr. } Bethel

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have summoned and notified the Inhabitants of s^d Bethel qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

David Gerry

Feb 26th 1827

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March 5th 1827

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened and

- 1st Made choice of O, Neil W. Robinson Moderator
- 2^d Voted to excuss him from serving
- 3^d Made choice of W^m Frye Esq. Moderator
- 5th Made choice of Petter Frost 1st Selectman
- 4th Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk and Treasurer
- 6th Voted voted to excuse P. Frost from Serving as 1st Selectman
- 7th Made choice of W^m Frye 1st Selectman
- 8th Made choice of Ebⁿ Eams for 2^d Selectman
- 9th Voted to excuse E. Eames from Serving
- 10th Made choice of Capt Adam Willis 2^d Selectman
- 11th Made choice of Janath Abbot 3^d Selectman
- 12 Made choice of William Frye Esq Capt. Adam Willis and Capt Jan^h Abbot Assessors for the year ensuing

Oxford ss. Personly appeared the above named Town Clerk and Treas in open town meeting and the oath proscribed by law to the faithful performances of the said Offices before William Frye Justice of the Peace

Oxford ss. Personally appeared the above named Selectmen & Assessors in open Town meeting and took the oath proscribed by law to the faithful perperformances of the said offices before me

Barb^r Bartlett Justice Peace

Voted to raise four hundred dolls to defray town charges
 Voted to raise school money as the Law provides
 Voted that the Highway Surveyors be empowered to cause the
 Highways to be kept open in Bethel during the winter and the
 expence to be taken out of the next Highway Tax
 Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the repair of Highways
 Voted to have 2 Constables and two Collectors
 Set up the collection of Taxes to be struck off to the lowest
 Bider he being under the same restrections that the Collectors
 were in 1825 & 1826
 Struck off the collection of the West Parish to William Estes at
 4 percent he being the lowest bider
 Struck off the collection of taxes in the East Parish to Adam
 Willis at 4½ Voted to excuse Adam Willis from serving as
 Collector
 William Estes came forward with James Walker and Aaron Mason
 for his Bondsmen and the Town voted to accept them as such

Set up the collection of taxes again in the East Parish Struck
 off to Elihu Killgore at 4 percent
 Voted that William Estes and Elihu Killgore be Constables and
 Collectors
 Elihu Killgore came forward with Edmond Bean and Asa Kimball
 for Bondsmen and the town voted to accept them as such

Fence Viewers

Moses Bartlett X Silvanus Twitchell Umphry Bean Edmond Chapman

Highway Surveyors

Elias Bartlett
 Joseph Holt
 John Hastings
 Micaejah Blake

James Hodsdon
 Abijah Lapham
 Eben^r Greenwood
 Andrew Grover

Caleb Row
Abraham Bryant
Purham P. Moulton
Ayers Mason
James M. Pote

Edmond Seger
Chandler Russell
Ebenezer Eames Jr.
Eleazer Rowe
Hezekiel Andrews

Surveyors of Lumber

Capt Jonathan Abbot
Joseph Twitchell

Amos Andrews
Israel Kimball Jr

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Tything Men

David Gerry
Perigrine Bartlett
Timothy Chapman X

John Cushman
Capt J. Abbot

Field Drivers

Caleb Rowe
David B. Glines
David Gerry
William Berry
Edmond Seger X

Edmond Chapman
John Case X
Moses Mason X
Sam^l Bean X
Nathan F. Twitchell X

Oxford ss. March 5th 1827 Personally appeared the above named
Constables and Collectors Fence Viewers Highway Surveyors
Tything Men Field Drivers who have not this mark X affixed to
their names and took the oath proscribed by law to the faithful
performance of their respective offices before me

Barb^r Bartlett Justice Peace

School Committee

Timothy Carter Esq.
Elias Grover Esq.

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Voted that the School Meetings in District No 13 be notified by the Clerk of s^d District posting up a notice at the school House seven days at least prior to the meeting

Accounts Allowed

Timothy Carter, s	for 1 Trustee meeting and for one Book	-- \$ 1.00
J. Burbank Esq	-- -- -- -- --	27.50
Eben ^r Eames Jr.	-- -- -- -- --	20.00
Phinehas Frost	-- -- -- -- --	30.00
David Gerry	--- ---- ---- --	.75
Elijah Grover	--- ---- --- ----	1.50

Voted to supply the soldiers with Rations and not money

Voted to accept the Road from Joseph Sanborns to Eben Greenwoods

Voted that the Selectmen be Overseers of the Poor

Voted that William Frye Esq be Agent for Bethel

Voted that the Selectmen act discretionary respecting the Petition and order of notice from Albany

William Frye Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Road

Laid out by the Subscribers from Joseph Sanborns to Ebenezer Greenwood North 77 deg W 35 Rods N. 65 W 163 Rods North 58 W. 88 Rods Nor 78, 25 Rods N 65 W 35 Rods N. 62 W. 56 Rods N. 57 W. 38 Rods W. 54 Rods S. 75 W. 24 Rods S & 4 W. 48 Rod S 60 W. 44 Rods S 55 W. 94 Rods S 56 W. 52 Rods S 51 W. 85 Rods S 50 W. 74 Rods

The above points and distances where the road is now travelled when the Barn stands said Road is three Rods wide and 915 Rods in length

Dated Decm. 10th 1826

Phinehas Frost

Jedⁿ Burbank

Eben^r Eames Jr

Selectmen
of Bethel

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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September 10th 1827

To William Estes one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel
Greeting

In the name of the State of Maine You are hereby required to notify and warn the the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote for State and County officers to assemble at the centre Meeting in said Bethel on monday the tenth day of Sept next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon for the following purposes VIZ.

- 1st To give in their votes for a Governor of this State for the next political year
- 2^d To give in their votes for two Senators to represent the senatorial District of Oxford County in the Legislature of this State for the next political year
- 3^d To give in their votes for a Representative to represent the District of Bethel Gilead & Newery in the Legislature of their State for the next political year
- 4th To give in their votes for a Treasurer of the County of Oxford for the year ensuing

Given under our hands this twentieth day of August
Anno Domini 1827

William Frye

Jonⁿ Abbot

Selectmen
of
Bethel

The Selectmen would notify that they will be in session at the said meeting house in Bethel on the twentieth day of September from nine oclock untill eleven in the forenoon to recieve evidence of the qualification of Voters born on their List

William Frye

Jon^e Abbot

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Bethel Sept 10th 1827 Pursuant to the foregoing warrant to me divested I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said town qualified as the law required to meet at time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting the same more than seven days before the time of meeting

William Estes } Constable of Bethel

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Sept 10th 1827

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the Inhabitants gave in their Votes as follows VIZ.

For Governor } Enoch Lincoln had eighty nine

For Senators } John Gorver Esq had fifty four
Reuel Washburn Esq fifty six

For Representative } Amos Hills Esq one
Melvin Stow Esq twenty one
Timothy Hastings Esq one
Phinehas Frost twenty one

For County Treasurer } Henry Rust Esq had twenty seven

William Frye Moderator

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State to notify and
summon the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of
Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Centre
Meeting House in said Bethel on Monday the 10th day of September
next at two Oclock P. M. to act on the following articles VIZ

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see if the town will vote to give the Berry District so
called twenty dollars towards building them a school house
in said District
- 3^d To accept of certain Roads laid in s^d town
- 4th To dispose of the Paupers in said Town

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- 5th To Act on any other business the Town may think proper
when met

Given under our hands this twentieth day of August AD. 1827

William Frye } Selectmen
Jonathan Abbot } of Bethel

Oxford ss. Sept 10th 1827

Pursuant to the forgoing warrant to me directed I have notified
the freeholders and other Inhabitants qualified to vote in town
affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within
mentioned

William Estes } Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the
time & place and the following votes were passed

- 1st Made choice of J. Burbank Esq Moderator

- 2^d Voted to give the Berry District twenty dollars to build a School house in said District
- 3^d Voted to accept certain Roads
- 4th Vote that the Overseers act discretionary with the Paupers child of Abigail Swan
- 5th Voted to choose an Agent to attend the Court of Sessions to remonstrate against the Petition of Israel Kimball and others
- 6th Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett of said Agent

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- 7th Voted to choose a Committee to examine and report whether it is or is expedient to make an alteration in the road beginning near Samuel Ayer thence to Gosses and make their Report to the Agent at the Court of Sessions
- 8th Made choice of Spencer Drake Timothy Carter Esq and Isaac Town for said Committee

J. Burbank Esq. Moderator

Sept. 10th 1827

Voted that the following names be put in the Jury Box VIZ.

Elisa Grover	Joseph Holt
Nath ^l Greenwood Jr.	John Kimball
Ehihu Bean	Seth B. Nowell
Timothy Barker	Timothy Chapman
David Gerry	Aaron Mason
James Walker	Nathan F. Twitchell
John Hastings	Adam Willis
John Cushman	Elhanan Bartlett
Jon ^a A. Russell	Micaiah Blake
James F. Carter	Ephraim Powers
Israel Kimball Jr.	John Sanborn
Edmond Bean	Hezekiah Andrews

Jury Box revised

Sept. 10th 1827
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Sept 10th 1827 Voted to accept the following
Roads on the petitions of Ambrose C.

Gilley and fourteen others

The undersigned two of the Selectmen of Bethel this fourth day of September 1827 laid out and located a bridle road in manner following VIZ. Beginning at a Stake and Stones on the County road near the house of William Frye thence running S. 10° E. 206 rods to a Stake and Stones thence S. 39° W. 46 rods to a Stake and Stones on land owned by Ambrose C. Gilley Said road to be three rods wide, and encumbered with one gate on the County road and one at the Stake and stones on the said Gilleys lands all parties interested were notified and clamed no damage

William Frye } Selectmen
Adam Willis } of Bethel

On the petition of Jedediah Grover Jr and ten others inhabitants of Bethel the undersigned having given pervious notice to and having viewed and located a town way in said Bethel as follows beginning at a stake and Stones at the junction of the old Grover Hill road and the road leading to Gilead near Robins Brown running N. 88° W. 84 rods thence S. 50° W. 68 rods thence S. 88° W. 71 rods thence S. 71° W. 37 rods thence S. 53° W. 94 rods to the east side of the dwelling house of Jedediah Grover Jr. Thence N. 75° W. 94 rods thence N. 55° W. 56 rods thence N. 69° W. 47 rods to the road leading past the dwelling house of Jed^h Grover said road to be three rods wide

Bethel August William Frye } Selectmen
13th 1827 Jonathan Abbot } of Bethel
Recorded by Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Nov. 1827

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
Greeting

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the centre meeting House in said Bethel on monday the twelfth day of November 1827 at one O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles VIZ

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d Meeting
 - 2^d To make such contract or contracts with Rueben Bartlett relative to their title to the land contained and discribed in the Deed from Isaac Frost to them being a part of the Island in the Andruescogg River near said Bartletts as they shall think proper
 - 3^d To choose an Agent to convey their title to said lands to to the said Bartlett or any other person or persons
 - 4th To accept of certain Town ways
 - 5th To transact any other business which they may think necessary
- Given under our hands at Bethel the third day of November AD. 1827

William Frye } Selectmen of
Adam Willis } Bethel

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Nov. 12th 1827

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting ~~was~~ opened at the time and place and proceeded to Bunnejs

- 1st Made choice of Timothy Hastings Moderator
- 2^d Voted that the Agent of Bethel be instructed to stop the action Bethel vs. Lemington and that the Selectmen be instructed and Authorized to give Reuben Bartlett a Quite Claim Deed of that part of a certain Island which Isaac Frost Quite claimed to the Inhabitants of Bethel; Provided the

said Reuben will give Bonds to the town of Bethel; that he will take Isaac Frost and keep him one year next after March meeting free from expence the town except the water Bill

- 3^d Voted that the Slectmen discharge a certain note in favor of Return Ellingwood a Pauper, signed by John Ellingwood, provide George V. Ellingwood will give sufficient Bonds to the town of Bethel that he the said George will maintain and support the said Return & free the town from all expence of keeping the Return one year except the necessary Doctor,s Bills

Timothy Hastings Esq Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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March 3^d 1828

To William Estes one of the Constables of the Constables of the town of Bethel Greeting

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and summon the Inhabitants of Bethel legally qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting in Bethel on monday the third day of March next at eleven oclock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles VIZ

- 1st To choose Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Town Clerk for the year ensuing
- 3^d To choose three or more Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing
- 4 To choos a Town Treasurer
- 5 To choose a Collector or Collectors and Constables
- 6 To choose two or more Fence Veiwers three or more Field drivers and a Pound Keeper
- 7 To choose Surveyors of Highways of Lumber and Measurers of wood

- 8 To choose Tythingmen and all other necessary town Officers
- 9 To choose a School Committee
- 10 To raise the necessary sums of money for the payment of outstanding debts and to defray town charges, for the making and repairing of highways and town ways and for the support of Schools
- 11 To dispose of the poor
- 12 To allow accounts against Bethel
- 13 To see if the Town will raise money to build a road from Capt. Peter Twitchells to Ebenezer Greenwoods the summer ensuing
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- 14 To see if the town will set off the two westwardly tiers of lots of land in Bethel between the sixth range of lots of land in Bethel and the line of Albany excepting the lots No. thirty two in the first and second ranges into a separate School District
- 15 To see if the town will vote to restrain neat(?) from going at large on the highways and on the Commons
- 16 To see if the town will give the School District No eleven called the Lapham District the sum of twenty dollars toward building a school House in said District
- 17 To accept town ways

Given under our hands at Bethel this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight

William Frye 2 Selectmen of
Jonathan Abbot L Bethel

Oxford ss. Feb 23^d 1828 Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and summoned the inhabitants of Bethel to appaear at the time and place and for the purposes within

mentioned by posting notification thereof in three public places
in said Bethel

William Estes } Constable of Bethel

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not a warrant

Warrant March 3^d 1828

Pursuant to the warrant the meeting was opened at the time
and place and proceeded to business as follows to wit

- 1 Made choice of Moses Mason Jr Moderator
- 2 Voted to pass over all articles for the present and act on
the one to allow accounts

3 Voted to allow Esq. Fryes \$27.66

4 Voted to allow Adam Willis 22.25

Voted to refer James F. Carters account to the overseers
of the Poor

Voted to refer the accounts relative to the seating of
Polly Capen to the overseers of the Poor

Voted to allow the following accounts

William Estes 2.25 Isaace J. Town \$1.00

Daniel Grout \$8.00 Barb^r Bartlett \$6.00

Timothy Carter \$1.50 Issaac Town \$1.00 John Holt

& Spencer Drake \$1.00

Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Made choice of Phinehas Frost 1st Selectman

Made choice of Jed Burbank 2^d Selectman

Made choice of Timothy Hastings 3^d Selectman

Made choice of Phinehas Frost J. Burbank Timothy Hastings
Assessors and overseers of Poor

Made choice of B Bartlett Town Treasurer

The above named town Officers were sworn in open town meeting
as the law directs

Voted to have two Collectors

The collection of taxes set up to be struck off to the lowest bidder with the same proviso of 1827

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That of the West Parish struck off to William Estes at $3\frac{1}{2}$ percent he being the highest bidder

That of the lower Parish struck off to Elihue Kilgore at $3\frac{1}{4}$ percent and came forward with Jonathan Powers and Hezekiah Andrews and the town accepted them for his Bondsmen and William Estes presented Micaiah Blake and Reuben Bartlett for his Bondsmen and the town voted to accept them

Fence Viewers

Barret Howard	Jesse Gros X
Ebenezer Eames X	Nath ^l Greenwood
Moses Mason	

Field Drivers

John Estes	Hiram Holt
Moses Barker	Spencer Drake
Jed ^h Burbank	Isaac Gross

Highway Surveyors

Barret Howard	Elias Bartlett
Chandler Russell	Elihu Killgore
Asa Bartlett	Peter Kimball
Sumner Stearns	Nath ^l Swan Jr
excused Seth B. Newel	William Estes
excused Joseph C. Walker	Francis Barker
Micaiah Blake	Timothy Barker
excused James Estes	Moses Chandler
Peter Estes	Baxter Lion
X Enoch Estes	Jeremiah Grover
Timothy Chapman	Eli Grover Junr

Surveyors of Lumber

Nathan F. Twitchell	Hanibal Kimball
Joseph Twitchell	Barret Howard
Eli Grover Jr.	Aaron Frost
Nathan Eames	Israel Kimball X

Tything Men

Reuben B. Foster	Peter Estes excused
Joseph Holt	William Berry
Robbins Brown excused	O.N. W. Robinson excused
Capt. Samuel Barker	Timothy Chapman
Israel Kimball	Pound Keeper

Rev. Cha ^S Frost	} School Committee
William Frye	
Timothy Carter	

Voted that the subject relating to the land of James Grover be left with the Selectmen to settle with Sylvanus Twitchell discretionary

Voted that the town raise five hundred dollars to defray town charges

Voted that the Assessors assess the School Money as the law directs

Voted to raise two thousand dollars to make and repair Highways in Bethel

Voted that the Town Poor set up to be struck off to the lowest bidder

Voted that Rebeca Beatty and all the Poor of that family be left with the Overseers of the poor to dispose of discretionary

Voted that Aaron Frost Peter York Reuben Bartlett Asa Bartlett and Isaac B. Littlehale Shall have their proportional part of the School money the ensuing year

carried over

Voted to set off the two westerly tiers of lots of land in Bethel between the sixth range of lots of land in Bethel and the line of Albany except the lots number thereby two in the first and second ranges into a separate School District

Voted to give No. 11 Laphams School District twenty dollars towards building a new School House

Voted that Capt. J. Abbots account be left with the Selectmen for allowance

Moses Mason Esqr Moderator

Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Oxford ss.

March 3^d 1828

The afore named Town Officers elected to office this day who have not this mark X affixed to their names or were not excused were severally sworn into their respective offices as the Law directs in open town meeting Before me

Barb^r Bartlett Justice of the Peace

and

Town Clerk

June 14th 1828

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and

- 1st Made choice of James Walker Moderator
 - 2 Voted to poll the House to ascertain who are in favour or against the new contemplated road round Swans Hill so called
 - 3 Voted 47 against said road 24 in favour Voted that the town authorize the Selectmen to petition the Court of Sessions to make an alteration in the road leading from Sam^l Ayers to Greenwood line
 - 5 Voted that Phinehas Frost be said Agent
- Voted to accept a Bridle Road from the School House across Staple Ferry and and to Edmond Chapmans Mills

Voted that P. Frost petition in behalf of the town for the alteration in the road from Ayers to Greenwood

James Walker Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Warrant September 8th 1828

To William Estes Constable of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said Bethel on Monday the eighth day of September next at twelve oclock at noon to give in their votes for Governor Senators and one Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands at Bethel this 28th day August eighteen hundred & twenty eight

Phinehas Frost

Jed^h Burbank

Timothy Hastings



August 30th 1828 Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants qualified to vote for a Representative to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable

September 8th 1828

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the Inhabitants gave in their vote in the following manner to wit For Governor

Enoch Lincoln had one hundred & thirty six

For } Daniel Hathman had 119

Senators } John Grover had -- 117

For	{	George Frinch had	48
Senators		Nath ^l Howe had	48
		Israel Kimball had	2

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For	{	Phinehas Frost had one hundred & 15
Representative		Israel Kimball had seventy one

Warrant September 8th 1828

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
 summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to
 vote for Representative to meet at the Centre meeting House in
 s^d town on Monday the eighth day of September next half past one
 O'clock P. M. to give in their votes for a Representative to
 Congress

Given under hands this 30th day of August 1828

Phinehas Frost	{	Selectmen
Timothy Hastings		of Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified
 the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the
 Purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the Inhabitants gave in their
 votes for a Representative to Congress as follows VIZ

James W. Ripley one hundred and twenty six

Reuel Wahsburn thirty four

Samuel A. Bradley seven

Phin^s Frost Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

September 8 1828

To William Estes on of the Constables of the town of Bethel
of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
notify the Inhabitants of Bethel to meet at the centre Meeting
on Monday the eighth day of Sept next at two Oclock P. M. to give
in their votes for County Treasurer for said County of Oxford

Given under our hands this 28 day of August AD. 1828

Phin^S Forst } Selectmen
Timothy Hastings } of
Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notifed the Inhab-
itants of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the
purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened and the Inhab-
itants gave in their votes for County Treasurer as follows VIZ
For Henry Rust nineteen 19

Phin^S Frost Moderator
Attest Barb^R Bartlett Town Clerk

September 8th 1828

To William Estes Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to not-
ify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town af-
fairs to meet at the Centre meeting Meeting House on Monday the
eighth day of September at half past two oclock P. M. to act on
the following articles VIZ.

first To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting

2^d To see if the town will raise money to make certain pieces
of Roads and repair others liable to be complained of in said
town

- 3^d To see whether the town will direct the Selectmen to furnish the Soldiers with money or Rations
- 4th To see what method the town will direct the overseers to take with Solomon Annas
- 5 To act on any other matters the town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands at Bethel this 28th day of August AD. 1828

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of
Bethel

Pursuant to the warrant to me directed I have notified the Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned August 30th 1828

William Estes Constable of Bethel

- 1st Pusuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened
- Made choice of M. Mason Esqr Moderator
- 2^d Voted that if the Complainants will withdraw their complaint and repair the Road from Sam^l Ayers to Thomas Gosses the town will make it from Gosses to Greenwood line and pay the cost
- Voted that the Selectmen meet and stake it out in lots and let it out to the lowest bidder who is to complete it before Nov^m. Meeting and have their pay in March next
- Voted that the Selectme make a good road or a cheap one discretionary for the accommodation of Ebenzer Greenwood to be made this fall

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Voted that the town pay the amount of twenty cents to each Soldiers to them Several Captains
Voted to leave Soloman Annas discretionary with the overseers

of the Poor

Moses Mason Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Warrant Nov^m 3^d 1828

To William Estes Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Centre M House on Monday the third day of Nov^r next at twelve O'clock at noon to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator
 - 2^d To raise money to pay for making certain peices of Road in said Town
 - 3^d To accept of certain peices of roads located by the Selectmen
 - 4th To transact other business that may be proper when met
- Given under our hands this 20 day of October AD. 1828

Phin^s Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of
Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of s^d Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

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Nov^m 3^d 1828

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened

- 1st Made choice of James Walker Clerk pro tem
- 2^d Voted that William Frye be Moderator
- 3^d Voted to rais 391 dolls & 71 cts for to defray the expence

- of certain peices of roads
- 4th Voted that the Selectmen lay out a road from Elijah Grovers Store to Jesse Beans
- 5th Voted their wish that the Prayer of the Petition of Amos Hills & Luther Eames might be granted
- 6th Voted to choose a Committee to view the Easterly road to Albany
- 7th Voted that the Selectmen be this Committee and make their Report to the nex(t) town meeting William Frye Moderator
James Walker Clerk pro tem

A true Copy

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Novm. 3^d 1828 Warrant

To William Estes Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to Summon the Inhabitants of s^d Town to meet at the Centre Meeting House on Monday the 3^d of Nov^m next at one of the oclock to give in their votes for one Elector for this State and for two Electors at large in the State for President

Given under our hands this twentieth day of October
AD. 1828.

Phins Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of
Bethel

Turn over

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November 3^d 1828

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened

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Bethel Historical Society
BETHEL, MAINE 04217

the Inhabitants gave in their votes for Electors as follows

For their	}	Cornelius Holland had	141
District		Levi Hubbard had	55

	Isaac Lane had	--	144
At large	Daniel Rose "	--	144
	Thomas Fillebrown	--	55
	Simon Nowel	--	55

Phinehas Frost Moderator
Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

December 2^d 1828 Warrant

To Elihu Killgore one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify
& summon the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote in town
affairs to meet at the centre meeting House on Monday the 22^d day
of December Inst at twelve oclock at noon to act on the following
articles to wit.

- 1st To choos a Moderator to govern s^d meet.
- 2^d To see if the Town will establish a certain piece of Road
surveyed by the Selectmen near Elizah Groves Corror in Bethel
- 3^d To see if the Town will discontinue the Road about the same
distance near the same new piece on the north

carried up

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- 4th To act on any other business the town may think proper when
met

Given under our hands this 8 day of Decm. AD. 1828

Phinehas Frost	}	Selectmen
Jedediah Burbank		of
Timothy Hastings		Bethel

Pursuant to the within I have notified the Inhabitants qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

December 15th 1828

Elihu Killgore } Constable of Bethel

December 22^d 1828

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Esqr Moderator
- 2^d Voted that the Selectmen draw a plan of the road laid before the town for acceptance
- 3 Voted to adjourn this meeting $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour
Pursuant to the adjournment the meeting was opened a plan of s^d Road was formented
- 4 Voted to accepted s^d. Road and Voted to discontinued the old one near Eliziah Grovers Conner

Moses Mason Esqr. Moderator
Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

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Road

Parteis were notified according to law
Agreeable to the directions from the town of Bethel We the Subscribers begun on the County Road three Rods West of Fletcher Kendell's Blacksmith Shop at a bound made in said Road Run North 48 Deg. East 13 Rods thence North 41 Deg. East 35 Rods to the Old Road said Road is Located three rods wide
Run across Lawerance Masons land 28 Rods & 16 links he requested damage for said Road which we assessed at \$5.00 The remainder of said Road is on land owned by Timothy Barker who requests no damage

Bethel November 1828

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank }
Timothy Hastings } of Bethel

Warrant December 22^d 1828

To Elihu Killgore Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of s^d town qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the Centre Meeting House on Monday the 22^d day of December next at one Oclock P. M. to give their votes for a suitable person for a Representative to represent them in the next Congress Given under our hands at Bethel this 8th day of Decm. AD. 1828

Phines Frost	}	Selectmen
Jedh Burbank		of
Timothy Hastings		Bethel

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Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of said town qualified by the Constitution to vote for Representatives to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Bethel Decm 15th 1828 Elihu Killgore } Constable of Bethel

December 22^d 1828

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the Inhabitants gave in their votes for a Representative to Congress as follows

For	}	James W. Ripley had	154
Represent-		Reuel Washburn had	48
ative to		Samuel A. Bradley --	2
Congress			

Phinehas Frost Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Warrant March 2^d 1829

To William Estes Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre meeting house in Bethel on Monday the second day of March next at 10 oclock A.M. to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator
- 2^d To choose all Town Officers required by law
- 3^d To receive and allow accounts
- 4th To see how the town will dispose of Paupers
- 5th To raise money to defray town charges
- 6th To raise money for the support of schools
- 7th To raise money to repair highways
- 8th To see if the Town will vote to give the Soldiers money or Rations
- 9th To see if the town will vote to prohibit cattle running at large on the common in Bethel excepting spring calves and cattle one year old
- 10th To transact all business that may be proper when met

Given under our hands this 16 day of February AD. 1829

Jedediah Burbank } Selectmen
Timothy Hastings } of Bethel

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March 2^d 1829

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the said Inhabitants of Bethel qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes } Constable of Bethel

- Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and passed the following votes viz
- 1st Made choice Doct. M. Mason Moderator
 - 2^d Voted to excuse him from serving
 - 3^d Made choice of William Frye Esq
 - 4th Voted to excuse him from serving
 - 5th Made choice of Deac. J. Abbot Moderator
 - 6th Made choice Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk
 - 7th Voted to pass over the remainder of the second Article and act on the 3^d
 - 8th Voted to allow the following accounts

Timothy Hastings	-- --	\$18.00
Jedh Burbank	-- --	29.75
William Estes for Costable		3.75
Pergrine Bartlett as Trustee		
for the Years 1826 and 1827		1.00
Deac. S. Barker for 1827 & 1828		1.00
Doct. M. Masons	-- --	2.75
Thomas Goss for nursing Poor		4.00
B. Bartlett for going to Rumford		
at different times to pay money for		
the town		3.00
 - Voted to refer a settlement with Reuben B. Foster to the desution of the Selectmen
 - Voted that Barb^r Bartlett be Treasurer

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- 11th Voted that Phs. Frost be 1st S^tman
- 12th Voted that Doct. M. Mason be 2nd S^tman
- 13th Voted that Israel Kimball Jr be 3^d S^tman
- 14 Voted to act on the fourth article
- 15 Voted that Isaac Frost a Paurer be set up and struck off to the lowest Bider

- Said Forst struck off to Perigrine Bartlett forty cts per week
- 16th Voted that the remainder of the Poor be left discretionary with the Selectmen
- 17 Voted to raise four hundred dollars to defray town charges
- 18th Voted raise money for schools as the law provides
- 19th Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the repai of High Ways
- 20th Voted to pay the Soldiers money
- 21th Vot not to act on the 9th article
- 22^d Voted to set up the collection of taxes to be struck off to the lowest bider
- 23^d Voted to have two Collectors or rather voted to set up the the West and East Parish separate
- Struck off the West Parish to William Estes at three and $\frac{1}{4}$ percent
- Struck of the collection of taxes in the East Parish to William Estes at three and one fourth percent
- By agreement W^m Estes transferred the collection of the taxes in the East Parish to Barrit Howard

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Voted that William Estes be Collector of the West Parish

Voted that William Estes be one of the Constable

William Estes came forward with James Walker and Andrew Oliver for his Bondsmen for s^d Collection and the town voted to accept them as such

Made choice of Barret Howard Collector of the East Parish and

Voted that Barret Howard be Constable

the said Howard came forward with Saml B. Locke and Elhanan Bartlett for his Bondsmen for said collection and the Town voted to accept them as such

Fence Viewers

John Bean	Norman Clarke
Moses Staples	Simeon Twitchell
Timothy Carter	

Field Drivers

Silvanus Twitchell	Sam ^l Holt
William Frye	Silas Grover
George V. Ellingwood	Peter Estes
Clark Kimball	Jona th Chapman

Tything Men

Col. Thaddeus Twitchell	Caleb Rowe
Arnold Powers	Simeon Brown
Adam Willis	Deac. Jon ^a Abbot
Israel Kimball was chosen Pound Keeper	

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High Way Surveyors

Capt. Amos Andrews Voted to have two Surveyors in that District

Thaddeus P. Bartlett	Hezekiah Andrews
Edmond Bean	Hiram Holt
John Beatty	William Estes
Ayers Mason	Eli Grover Jr.
Isaac Towne	Lawson Moses
Joseph Wheeler Jr.	Luther Bean
James Estes	Abraham Bryant
James Walker	Elhanon Bartlett
Abial Chandler	Phin ^s Frost Esq
Nathaniel Swan	Eben ^r Eames Jr.
George V. Ellingwood	

Surveyors of Lumber

Deac. Jonathan Abbot	Eli Grover Jr.
Micaiah Blake	Joseph Twitchell
Jesse Cross	

School Committee

Rev. C. Frost

William Frye Esq

Reuben B. Foster

Oxford ss March 2^d 1829 Personally appeared the Town Clerk and Treasurer and was sworn to the faithful performance of said officers as the law directs before Moses Mason Jr. Esqr a Justice of Peace The remainder of the town officers were sworn as the Law directs before me Barbr^r Bartlett Jus Peace

Jonathan Abbot Moderator

Attest Barbr Bartlett Town Clerk

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Warrant May 30th 1829

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Centre Meeting House in Bethel on Saturday the thirtieth day of May Inst. at one of the oclock P. M. to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To see what method the town will direct to dispence with certain applications of poor People
- 3^d To see what method the town will direct to be taken with the School land that Samuel B. Locke lives on belonging to said town
- 4th To act on any other matters the town may think proper when met

Given under our hands this 19th day of May AD. 1829

Phin^s Frost } Selectmen
Israel Kimball } of Bethel

May 23^d 1829 Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed I have notified the Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the Purposes within mentioned by posting up notification there of as the Law directs

William Estes Constable of Bethel

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May 30th 1829

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and

- 1st Made choice of Timothy Hastings Moderator to govern said Meeting
- 2^d Voted to pass over first article so far as it relates to Mr. North's family
- 3^d Voted that the Widow Abigail Bean be left discretionary with the overseers of the Poor
- 4th Voted that a Committee of three be appointed to make enquiry of the Trustees of their doings respecting the sale of land & and School land not sold if any and report to the next Town meeting
- 5th Voted that Phinehas Frost Doct. John Grover Doct. Moses Mason be this Committee
- 6th Voted that the town request the Treasurer of the Ministers and school Fund to divide the Ministerial fund money among the several Denominations agreeable to a certificate from the Assessors the money which was due the present month
- 7th Voted that the Selectmen incert an article the Warrant for the next Town meeting to see if the town will petition the next Legislature for a new incorporation of the Trustees of the Ministers and School fund in the town of Bethel and vest it in the power of the Selectmen and Treasurer of s^d Bethel

Voted that the Selectmen petition the Court of Sessions for a discontinuance of the Road over Dustins Ferry from one County Road to the other

Timothy Hastings Moderator
Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Warrant Sept. 14th 1829

To William Estes one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town Affairs to assemble at the Centre Meeting House on Monday the fourteenth day of September Inst. at ten of the Oclock in the founnoon to act on the following articles To wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2 To see if the will petition to Legislator to have the manageing of the fund money of the Fund belonging to said Bethel transferred from the present Trustees and place the same in the hands of the Town
- 3th To see what method the town will take to Liecnce Retailors
- 4th To act on any other matters the Town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this fifth day of September
AD. 1829

Phins Frost } Selectmen
Moses Mason } of
Israel Kimball } Bethel

Bethel Sept. 5th 1829

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified the Inhabitants of said Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned William Estes } Constable of Bethel

September 14th 1829

Pursuant to the within or foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr. Esqr. Moderator
- 2^d Voted to pass over the 3^d article article and act on the the fourth
- 3^d Voted that this meeting stand adjourned twenty minutes that we may hear the report of the Committee appointed to confer with the Trustees

Pursuant to the adjournment the meeting was opened and passed and passed the following Resolves

- 4th Resolved that it is the immdiate duty of the Trustees to look up the remaining fourth part of the school land which they state is not sold and to take measures for the disposal of the same so that the proceeds may be added to the School Fund
- 5th Voted that Retailors be Leinced by the Selectmen as they formerly have been
- 7th Voted that the school meetings in the 14 School District shall be legally notified and warned by the Clerk of sd District posting up thereof in two public places in said District

Moses Mason Jr Esqr Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Warrant Sept. 14th 1829

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel

Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting in said Town on Monday

the fourteenth day of September Inst. at one of the oclock P.M. to give in their votes for Governor two Senators and one Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands at said Bethel this fifth day of Sept. 1829

Phinehas Frost	}	Selectmen
Moses Mason J ^r		of
Israel Kimball Jr		Bethel

Bethel September 5th 1829

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have and warned the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by the Constitution to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

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September 14th 1829

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened and the Inhabitants gave in their votes for Govern as follows

For Samuel E. Smith -- -- -- -- 134

For Jonathan G. Hunton -- -- -- -- 56

For Senator as follows

For	}	James Steel had	--	--	--	--	126
		Daniel Huhlimsan had	--	--	--	--	127

For	}	George French	--	--	--	50
		Marshal Spring	--	--	--	50
		Phinehas Frost	--	--	--	1

For Representative as follows

For Phinehas Frost -- -- 129

For Timothy Hastings -- -- 47
 For John Grover -- -- one 1
 For Samuel E. Smith -- -- one 1

Phinehas Frost Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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September 14th 1829

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
 Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify
 and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote for a
 Representative to meet at the centre Meeting House on Monday the
 fourteenth day of September Inst. at two of the Oclock in the
 afternoon to give in their votes for a County Treasurer

Given under our hands this fifth day of September A. D.
 1829

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
 Mason Mason Jr. } of
 Israel Kimball J^r. } Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified
 and warned the Inhabitants of said Bethel to meet at the time and
 place and for the purposes within mentioned —

Sept 5th 1829 William Estes Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the above warrant the meeting is opened at the
 time and place and the Inhabitants gave their votes for County
 Treasurer as follows

To wit

For Henry Rust 69 For Alamon Mellin 56

For O, Neil W. Robinson one

Phinehas Frost Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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March 1st 1830

To Barrell Howard one of the Constables of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the centre meeting House in said Bethel on Monday the first day of March next at ten of the Oclock in the forenoon to act on the following articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Town Clerk
- 3^d To choose a Treasurer
- 4th To choose Selectmen
- 5th To choose Assessors
- 6th To choose Overseers of the Poor
- 7th To choose a Constable or Constables
- 8th To choose a Collector or Collectors
- 9th To choose Surveyors of Highways
- 10th To choose Surveyors of Lumber
- 11th To choose Tythingmen
- 12th To choose Fence Viewers
- 13th To choose a Sealer of Weights
- 14th To raise money to defray town charges
- 15th To raise money to defray Schools
- 16th To raise money to repair

And to act on any other matter the town shall think proper when met - Given under our hand this eighteenth day of Feb^r AD. 1830

Moses Mason Jr.	}	Selectmen of
Israel Kimball		Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of s^d Bethel qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned Bethel Feb^r 18th 1830 Barrell Howard Constable of Bethel

March 1st 1830

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened

and

- 1st Made choice of Robbins Brown Moderator
- 2^d Voted to excuse him from serving
- 3^d Made choice of Sylvanus Twitchell Moderator
- 4th Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk
- 5th Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Treasurer
- 6th Made choice of Doct. Moses Mason 1st Selectman
- 7th Made choice of Isreal Kimball 2^d Selectman
- 8th Made choice of Elias Bartlett 3^d Selectman
- 9th Made choice of Doct. M. Mason 1st Assessor
- 10th Made choice of Israel Kimball 2^d Assessor
- 11th Made choice of Elias Bartlett 3^d Assessor

The town Clerk and Treasurer were sworn by M. Mason Esqr in open town meeting as the law requires

Oxford ss. March 1st 1830 Personally appeared the above named Selectmen and Assessors and were sworn to the faithful performance of their several Offices as the law directs Before me Barbr Bartlett Just Peace

- 12th Voted to pass over 7-8 . 9 . 10 . 11 . 12 . 13 & 14 and act on the remainder first
- 13 Voted that the Overseer act Discretionary relative to the suit the Inhabitants of Bingham against the Inhabitants of Bethel

Turn over

- 14th Voted to allow the following accounts
 Doct. M. Masons \$20.00 Israel Kimballs \$16.00
 Capt. J. Abbots for attending 2 Trustee meetings in 1829
 and 1830 \$ 1.00
- 15th Voted that George O. Ellingwood be allowed \$1.50 out of
 his next Highway tax
 William Estes 3.00 for serving as Constable for 1829
 Peregrine Bartlett for attending one Trustee meeting in 1830
 - \$.50
- 16th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to examine into the
 propriety or impropriety of the conduct of the Board of
 Trustees so far as it relates to the securities they taken
 for the benefit of the School and Minister Fund
- 17 Voted to raise three hundred dollars to defray town charges
- 18th Voted to raise school money as the law provides
- 19th Voted to raise two thousand dollars to repair Highways
 the present year
- 20th Voted that if the delinquent Collectors do not settle with
 the Treasurer by the first of April next or at that time
 come and with their Bondsmen give a Confession note to the
 Treasurer for the remainder of taxes in their hands He
 the Treasurer is forth with to astrain on the goods and
 chattles of the said Collectors together with their Bondsmen

- 21th Voted that the collection of taxes be set up to be struck
 of to the lowes bider Struck off to William Estes at three
 & 3/4 percent he being the lowest Bider
- 22 Voted that there be but one collector in Bethel this year
 Highways Surveyors
 Elhanan Bartlett Umpry Bean

Perigrine Bartlett	Hiram Holt
Isaac B. Littlehale	John Sanborn
Nath ¹ / ₂ Swan	Aaron Abbot Jr.
Seth B. Newel	Sumner Town
Richard Estes	Urban Sherey
Thaddeus R. Bartlett	Stephen Hodsdon
Luther Bean	James Walker
Eli Estes	Abraham Bryant
Stephen More	Hezekiah Andrews
Eli Grover	Silas Grover

Surveyors of Lumber

Moses Staples	Bezaleel Kendall
Joseph Twitchell	Stephen Russell
Robbins Brown X	

Tything Men

Barrell Howard	Thaddeus Twitchell
Elias Bartlett	Robbins Brown X

Fence Viewers

Jesse Cross	Simeon Twitchell
Sumner Stearnes	Taddeus P. Bartlett
Adam Willis X	

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Field Drivers

Benjamin Russell	James M. Pole
Samuel B. Lock	Sumner Stearns
Alva Wheeler	

William Estes presented Reuben Bartlett and William Holt for his Bondsmen and the Town voted to accep them as such
Voted that William Estes be Constable
Voted that William Estes be Collector

Oxford ss. March 1st 1830 Personally appeared the above

named Officers who have not this mark X affixed to their name and were sworn to the faithful performance of their respective Officers as the Law directs

Before me Barb^r Bartlett J. Peace

Voted that Barb^r Bartlett be Sealer of Weights and Measurers
School Committee

William rye

Rev. Charles Frost

Elias Bartlett

Isaac Frost Town Pauper Struck off to Isaac B. Littlehale at seventy two cents per week for one year the town is to cloth him and pay the Doct Bill

Voted to accept a Road laid out form Jonathan Chapmans to the Road leading to Edmand Chapmans Mills

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Voted that the Assessors take the sense of each individual whose poll is legally taxable to the benefit of which particular denaminations of Christians his proportion of the monies which will be collected into the Treasury of the Board of Trustees of the Ministerial Fund and to be paid to the support of the Ministry in the Town of Bethel in the year 1831

And also voted that the monies which shall be paid into said Treasury in May next shall be appropriated among the several Denominations according to the sense of the people as taken by the Assessors for the year 1829 for the support of the gospel ministry for the ensuing year

Voting that the following persons may have their proportion of the school money after they shall have expended it for schooling

To wit Thaddeus P. Bartlett Ball Bartlett

Thaddeus Bartlett

Timothy Ayers

George Kimball

James Estes Eli Foster

Jacob Kimball William Bartlett
 James Bartlett
 Sylvanus Twitchell Moderator
 a True Record
 Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Road

The following is a Survey of a road
 Beginning at the dwelling house of Jonathan Chapman running south
 sixteen Degrees west fifty four Rods thence south three Degrees
 west thirty Rods thence fifty Degrees west sixteen rods to the
 road leading to Edmund Chapmans Mills

Laid out by Moses Mason Jr } Selectmen
 Israel Kimball } of Bethel

Dated

Oct. 6th 1829

Warrant Sept. 13th 1830

To William Estes Constable of the town of Bethel You are
 hereby required in the name of the state of Maine to summon &
 notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town
 affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said Bethel
 on Monday the thirteenth day of September next at Eleven Oclock
 in the forenoon to act on the following Articles Viz.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d. meeting
- 2^d To see if the town will raise money enough to build the
Road that is laid out by the County near Eben Greenwood to
Albany line
- 3^d To see what method the town will take in regard to the Poor
- 4th To see if the town will vote to divide the town of Bethel into
two towns and petition the next Legislature for the same

5th To act on any other articles the town may think proper when met

Given under our hands this seventh day of August AD. 1830

Moses Mason 2^d } Selectmen
Israel Kimball } of Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the said inhabitantants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

September 13th 1830

Pursuant to the warrant the said inhabitants met at the time and place the meeting was opened and

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr Moderator
- 2^d Voted to choose an Agent to open the County road from near Ebenezer Greenwoods to Albany line so as it may be passable for a winter road
- 3^d Voted that Capt Sam^l Barker be this Agent
- 4th Voted the Poor discretionary with the Overseers of the Poor and Swans account for examination
- 5th Voted that the Selectmen examine the rout for a road as petitioned for from near Sam^l Ayers to T. Cushman and if they think the good of the public requires it they are to lay out a town road if not they are to report to the Agent who is to oppose s^d Road in to to But if they lay a town Road the Agent is to oppose it as a County Road

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6th Voted that Phinehas Frost the Agent

7th Voted to Poll the House to see if they will divide the

- town of Bethel at any rate Voted not to divide at all
- 8th Voted that the town choose a Committee to query with the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees why he did not comply with the vote of the town respecting the division of the Ministerial Fund money
- 9th Voted that Phinehas Frost Timothy Hastings and Samuel B. Lock be this Committee
- 10th Voted that the Selectmen Town Clerk and Treasurer Petition the next Legislature that the School and Ministerial Fund be removed from the Board of Trustees and placed in the hands of the Selectmen Treasurer and Town Clerk that the Ministerial Fund money may be disposed of agreeable to the vote of the town
- 11th Voted the following names be put into the Jury Box Viz.
Elijah Grover Leonard Grover Ayers Mason Timothy Hastings
Ebin^r Eames Jr. Israel Kimball Barbour Bartlett O,Neil W. Robinson Thaddues Twitchell Timothy Chapman James Walker Elias Bartlett Thaddeus P. Bartlett Hezekiah Andrews Luther Bean Rueben B. Foster Spencer Drake Elhanan Bartlett Adam Willis John Cushman Miaiah Blake Francis Barker Elias Grover Seth B. Newel John Kimball Sam^l Barker Jr. Phinehas Frost Amos Gage Jr. Edmond Bean

Moses Mason Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Warrent September 13th 1830

To William Estes Constable of Bethel You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the Centre Meeting House on Monday the thirteenth day of September next at one of the clock in the afternoon to give in their votes

for Governor Senators and a Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands at said Bethel the seventh day of August AD 1830

Moses Mason Jr. } Selectmen
Israel Kimball } of
Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the Inhabitants gave in their votes in the following manner

For	{	Samuel E. Smith had	--	--	--	204
Governor		Jonathan G. Hunton had	--	--		74
		John G. Hunton had	--	--	--	1
For	{	James Steel and Daniel Hutchinson				186
Senators		George French and James Osgood had				61
		James Burbank had	--	--	--	3

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For	{	James Burbank had				146
Representative		George W. Chapman	--			78
in the next		Seth White had	--			30
Legislature		John Mason had	--	--		5
		Cornelius Holland	--	--		1
		Reuel Washburn	--	--	--	1

For	Cornelius Holland	--	--	151
Representative	Reuel Washburn	--	--	61
to fill the	Alanson Millen	--	--	3
vacancy occasioned	James Burbank	--	--	1
by the resignation	Henry Rust had	--	--	1
of James W. Ripley				

Moses Mason Jr. Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

To William Estes Constable of Bethel You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote for a Representative to meet at the Centre Meeting House on monday the thirteenth day of September at two of the clock in the afternoon to give in their votes for a County Treasurer

Given under our hands this seventh day of August AD. 1830

Moses Mason Jr	}	Selectmen of
Israel Kimball		Bethel

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me direct I have notified & warned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes } Constable of Bethel

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September 13th 1830

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the said Inhabitants gave their votes for County Treasurer in the following manner Viz.

Henry Rust had sixty

Alanson Mellen had ninety

Cornelius Holland had one

Moses Mason Jr. Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

This may notify that the Town line around the town of Bethel was perambulated in the year 1830

Moses Mason 2 ^d	Selectmen
Israel Kimball	of
	Bethel

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Warrant March 7th 1831

To William Estes Constable of the town of Bethel —

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the inhabitants of of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre meeting house on the first monday of March next at ten of the oclock in the forenoon to act on the following articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Town clerk
- 3^d To choose Treasurer
- 4th To choose Selectmen and Assessors
- 5th To choose Overseers of the poor
- 6th To choose a collector and Constable
- 7th To choose Fence Viewers and Field Drivers
- 8 To choose a Sealer of Weights and Measures
- 9th To choose Surveyors of Highways and of Lumber
- 10th To choose Tythingmen
- 11th To raise money for the support of schools
- 12th To raise money to defray town charges
- 13th To raise money for the repair of Highways
- 14th To see if the town will vote to set off Eli Grover Peter Grover and Isaac C. Cross from the fifth school District to be a separate District
- 15th To see if the town will allow the usual sum for building a school house in the eighteenth District

16th To choose a school Committee and to act on any other article
the town shall think proper

Given under our hands this twenty sixth day of February
AD. 1831

Moses Mason Jr Selectmen of
Israel Kimball Bethel

Pursuant to the warrent I have notified and warned the said
Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes
within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

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March 7th 1831

Pursuant to the fore going warrant the meeting was opened at
the time and place and

- 1st Made choice of Silvanus Twitchell Moderator
- 2^d Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk
- 3^d Voted to receive accounts before they act on the remainer
of the warrant
- 4 Voted to allow William Frye \$2. for assisting the Selectmen
in a settlement with Luther Locke
- 5 Voted to allow P. Frost \$7. for going to Paris Court

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Voted that Esqr. be Agent to make enquiry respecting all property
or claims the the Widow Amos May have against any person or

persons whatever

Voted that Barb^r Bartlett be Treasurer

Voted

Voted that Moses Mason Jr. 1st Selectman

Voted that Israel Kimball 2^d _____

He Said he would not serve

Voted that Spencer Drake Be 2^d Selectman

Voted that Eben Eames be third Selectman

Voted that Moses Mason Jr Spencer Drake and Eames Ebenzer Jr.

be Assessors

Voted that Moses Mason Jr Spencer Drake and Eben Eames be Overseers of the Poor

Voted that the Town Treasurer B. Bartlett should be the Collector of said Bethel

Voted that those persons who shall pay their taxes into the Town Treasury within thirty days shall be entitled to 4prect discount also the same for sixty days and for one hundred and twenty days only two percentum the longest time allowed for payment of taxes and and receving discounts

Voted that William Estes be Constable

Fence Viewers

Abraham Bryant

Adam Willis

Edmond Chapman

Joshand S. Lane

Field Drivers

George Chapman

Jedediah Grover Jr.

Josham S. Lane

Aaron Cross

Andrew Oliver

John M. Bean

Eli Estes

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O,Neil W. Robins(on) Sealer of Weights & Measure

Surveyors of Highways

Ebenezer Richardson	Nathan Eames
Thaddeus Twitchell	Caleb Besse
Rebber Bartlett	Elihu Killgore
Stephen Bartlett 2 ^d	Urban Shorey
Adam Willis	Eeli Estes
Eben ^r Greenwood	Peter Estes
John B. Mason	Thaddeus Bartlett
Eli Grover Jr.	Capt Asa Kimball
Ayers Mason	Moses Bisbe
Abial Chandler	David Sanborn
	Jedidiah Burbank
	Abraham Bryant

Surveyors of Lumber

Moses Staples	John A. Twitchell
Jonathan Abbot	Adam Willis
Bezaleel Kindal	O, N. W. Robinson

Tythingmen

Perigrine Bartlett	Jonathan Abbot
Francis Barker	

Voted to raise school money as the law provides

Voted to raise three hundred dollars to defray town charges

Voted to raise two thousand dollars to be expended in the usual manner in making and repairing Highways

Voted to set off Eli Grover Jr. James Grover Peter Grover and Isaac C. Cross from the fifth School District to be a separate School District

Turn over

Voted to pass over the 19th article

School Committee

Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Silvanus Twitchell and Jotham S. Lane for said Committee

Voted to excuse Barb^r Bartlett & Silvanus Twitchell from s^d Committee

Made choice of William Frye and Lovel P. Chadbourn with J.S. Lane for said School Committee

Voted that the Treasurer of the Ministor and School Fund pay out said money according to the voice of the Inhabitants as taken by the Assessors Cast May

Voted that the Assessors take the minds of said Inhabitants how s^d money shall be divided next May

Voted that the Town Clerk serve the said Treasurer with a Copy of the two Cast Votes

Isaac Frost set up to be struck off to the lowest bidder Struck off to Gillman Hodgman at seventy eight cents per week

Ruturn Ellingwood struck off to Perigrine Bartlett at thirty two cents per week

Voted to leave the remainder of the town Paupers with the Overseers of the Poor

Silvanus Twitchell Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Oxford ss. March 7th 1831 Personally appeared the foregoing named Officers chosen at this meeting except the Town Clerk & Treasurer in open town meeting and took the oath agreeable to thir respective offices before me Barb^r Bartlett Justice of the Peace The Town Clerk and Treasurer were sworn in open town meeting as the law requires before Moses Mason 2^d J. Peace

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Oxford ss. March 22 1831 Personally appeared Ebenezer Greenwood
 Ted^h. Burbank John B. Mason Ayers Mason and Abil Chander and made
 Oath to the trust reposed in them as Highway Surveyors in the
 town of Bethel for the year ensuing as the law requires before me
 Moses Mason 2^d Justice of the Peace
 Attest Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

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To William Estes Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
 sumon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to
 vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting House in
 Bethel on the twelfth day of Sept. next at elevenoclock in the
 forenoon to act on the following Articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d Meeting
- 2 To see if the town will accept of the following Roads VIZ.
- 1st Beginning at or near Stephen Hodsdon house
- 2 Beginning near S. B. Locks house to his Mills
- 3 Beginning on the County road near Perkins Moultons to the
 road and ending at the County road near Songo Pond
- 4th Beginning at the notch of the road leading to David Sanborns
 Eastwardly to Robert F. Farwells house
- 5th One beginning at Melvin Farwells house to the road near
 Pleasant River Bride
- 3^d To act on any other article the town may think proper when
 met

Moses Mason Jr.	}	Selectmen
Spencer Drake		of
Ebenz ^r . Eames Jr.		Bethel

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me Directed I have notified

and warned the s^d Inhabitants of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

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Sept. 12 1831 eleven oclock A. M.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place

- 1st Voted that Moses Mason Jr be Moderator
- 2^d Voted to accept the road laid to Stephen Hodsdons
- 3 Voted to reconsider the last vote
- 4 Voted to except the road from S. B. Locke to his Mills
- 5 Voted not to accept the road leading to P. M. and ending near Songo Pond
- 6th Voted to accept the road to Robert F. Farwells as a Bridle Road
- 7 Voted to accept the Road to Melvin Farwells
- 8 Voted to accept the Bear Brock Road
- 9 Voted that Melvin Farwell have his propertion of school money

Moses Mason Jr Moderator

These are the minutes of said roads as presented in 1st town meeting Beginning on the road leading from Lockes Mills to Thaddeus P. Bartlett South 84 Deg W. 46 Rods South 3 Deg W. 64 Rods South 21 Deg. W. 98 Rods South 62 Degs W. 32 Rods to the Road leading from Walkers Mills to Lockes Mills on the east side of Bear Brook

2^d Beginning on the Road leading from L. B. Lockes to to Newry East 24 Deg. W. 28 Rods to Lockes Mills

3^d Beginning at Robert F. Farwells house W 24 Degs North 166 Rods thence West 26 Degs N. 114 Rods

Moses Mason 2^d } Selectmen

signed Ebr. Eames Jr. of Bethel
Attest Bub^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Sept. 12th 1831

To William Estes Constable of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabit(ants) of said Bethel qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting House in Bethel on the twelfth day of Sept. next at two of the Oclock P. M. to give in their Votes for Governor two Senators and one Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands at said Bethel the first Day of August A D. 1831

Moses Mason Jr	Selectmen
Spencer Drake	of
Ebenzer Eames Jr	Bethel

Sept 12th 1831

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have warned and notified the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable of Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened and the Inhabitants gave in their votes in the following manner

For Governor	}	Daniel Goodenow fifty	50	
		Samuel E. Smith two hundred & one	201	
For	}	John Turner	}	fifty one 51
		James Osgood		
Senators	}	Jairus S. Keith	}	one hundred and ninety nine 299
		Samuel Gibran		

County } Henry Rust fifty six
Treasurer } Alanson Mellen one hundred & ninety

County } Zadoc Long fifty one
Register } Alanson Mellen one hundred & ninety five

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For
Representative } William Frye had thirty eight
Spencer Drake had forty seven
John Grover had twenty two
O, N. W. Robinson had one hundred and forty four
and is chosen
Timothy Hastings had four
Ebe^r Eames Jr. had one
Moses Mason Jr. Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Oct. 7th

1831 To Moses Bisbee Inhabitant of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting on the seventeenth of October Inst. at one of the clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles To Wit

- 1 To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2 To see what method the town will take to get off the complaint on the road leading from Greenwood Line by J. Burbank
- 3 To see if the town will petition the County Commissioners to discontinue that part of the road from James Walkers mills on the south side of Alder River to where it intersects with the road leading by Locks Mills to Norway and to act

on any other business the town may think proper when met——

Given under our hands at said Bethel this fifth day of
October AD. 1831

Moses Mason Jr Selectmen
Ebene^r Eames Jr. of Bethel

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Oxford ss. Oct. 17th 1831

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the said Inhabitants according to Law

Moses Bisbee
October 17th 1831

- The meeting was opened at the time and place and
- 1st Made choice of Timothy Hastings Moderator
- 2 Voted to excuse him from serving
- 3 Made choice of Sivanus Twitchell Moderator
- 4 Voted to excuse him from serving
- 5 Made choice of Capt J. Abbot Moderator
- 6 Voted to pass over the second article untill the third is disposed of
- 7 Voted that the Selectmen petition the County Commissioners for the discontinance of the County Road leading from Walkers Mills on the South side of Alder River to where it intersects with the Road leading by Locks Mills to Norway
- 8 Voted that the Selectmen Petitioning Discretionary for the discentinuance of either the road on the South or on the North side of Alder River
- 9 Voted that the Selectmen go on and make the Road discretionary and bring in their account
- 10 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to wait on the

County Commissioners and approve or disapprove of the Location of the Road petitioned for from T. Cushman to the lower part of Bethel as they shall think proper

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- 11th Voted that the Selectmen begin at J. Burbanks and make repairs to Walkers Mills
- 12th Voted that James Walker make the Road passable by his Canall and as good as it was before he dug the Canall

Jonathan Abbot Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

March 15th 1832

To William Estes Constable of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said town qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said town on monday the fifth day of March at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles VIZ.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to goven said meeting
- 2^d To choose a Clerk
- 3^d To raise money to defray town charges
- 4 To raise money for the support of Schools
- 5 To raise money for the repair of Highways
- 6 To choose 3 or more Selectmen
- 7 To choose 3 or more Assessors
- 8 To choose Overseers of the Poor
- 9 To choose a Constable
- 10 To choose a Collector of Taxes
- 11 To choose a Treasurer

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- 12 To choose Highway Surveyors
- 13 To choose Fence Viewers
- 14 To choose Field Drivers
- 15 To choose Tything men
- 16 To choose School Committee
- 17 To choose Surveyors of Lumber
- 18 To Choose School Districts Agents
- 19 To see what methods the town will take to get a complaint off the road from Soloman Annis by Eli Cushmans
- 20 To see if the town will give anything and if anything how much they will give for the privilege of holding town meetings in the centre meeting House provided the Proprietors of s^d house will lay a good floor and erect comfortable seats in said house
- 21 To see if the town will hold their town meeting one year at the lower end the next year at the uper end of Bethel
- 22 To see if the town will set off Reuben Bartlett and others into a separate school District and see what the town will give to help them build a school House
- 23 To see if the town will accept a Road as laid by the Selectmen beginning at the town line and ending near the School house on the Road leading from Eli Cushman to Eli Estes
- 24 To see if the town will authorise the Selectmen to grant Lceinces for the sale of ardent Spirits
- 25 To see if the Trustees and the town will will appropriate the Ministerial fund Money for the use of Schools in said town
- 26 To act on any other Business the Town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this 20th day of Feb. 1832

Moses Mason Jr.	Selectmen of
Spencer Drake	
Eben Eames Jr	Bethel

March 5th 1832

By virtue of the within Warrant to me directed I have notified and summoned the said Inhabitants to meet at the ime and place and for the purpose within mentioned By posing up notices in three public places in said town--William Estes Constable of Bethel

March 5th 1832

Pursuant to the warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr Moderator to govern s^s meeting
- 2 Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk and he was sworn as the law directs by M. Mason Jr Justice Peace
- 3 Voted to pass over the 3 article until the accounts are presented
- 4 Voted to allow M. Mason Jr. account -- -- 25.00
- 5 Voted to allow Spencer Drake " -- -- 21.30
- 6 Voted to allow Eben Eames " -- -- 25.75
- 7 Voted to allow B. Bartlett 2 percent on the whole amount committed to him for collection 26.24
- 8 Voted to allow William Estes for warning 2 meetings 2.00
- 9 Voted to allow Doct. J. Grover -- -- 1.53
- 10 Voted to refer M. Bisbee to the Selectmen
- 11 Voted to allow J. S. Lane one school Committee 3.50
- 12 Voted not to allow Robbins Browns
- 13 Voted to raise five hundred dollars to defray town charges
- 14 Voted to raise school money as the law provides
- 15 Voted to raise two thousand to repair Highways
- 16 Made choice of Moses Mason Jr. 1st Selectman
- 17 Made choice of Spencer Drake 2^d Selectman
- 18 Made choice of Eben Eames 3^d Selectman
- 19 Made choice of M. Mason Jr 1st Assessor
- 20 Made choice of S. Drake 2 Assessor
- 21 Made choice of E Eames 3 Assessor

- 22 Voted that the selectmen be Overseers of Poor
- 23 Voted that William Estes be Constable
- 24 Voted that Phinehas Frost be 2^d Constable
- 25 Voted that the Treasurer be Collector of taxes
- 26 Voted that all those who pay their taxes within sixty days from the commitment of the tax bills to the Collector shall receive 8 percent discount on their taxes and those who pay within one hundred and twenty days shall receive 4 percent discount on the amount of their taxes

Highway Surveyors

John Kimball	Caleb Rowe
Barb ^r Bartlett	Peter Wheeler
Timothy Hastings excused	John M. Bean
Eben ^r Eames Jr.	Abiel Walker
Adam Willis	Abraham Jordan
J. S. Lane	Zenas Cary
Phinehas Frost	Eli Estes
William Frost	Josiah Brown
Sam ^l Bean	Amos Andrews
Hiram Holt	John Y. Dustin
Andrew Oliver	Timothy Barker
Jonathan A. Russell	
Eli Grover Jr.	

Voted by ballot that Spencer Drake be Clerk pro tem to record the remainder of the votes of this Meeting and he was sworn as the law directs

Fence Viewers	Surveyors of Lumber
Barb ^r Willis	Jonathan Abbot
O. N. W. Robinson	Jesse Cross

Phinehas Frost

Moses Staples

Field Drivers

Tything Men

George Chapman

John Hastings

Ezra T. Russell

Phinehas Frost

Thomas Goss

Moses Staples

School Committee

David Sanborn

William Frye

Charles Frost

Reuben B. Foster

Voted that the Selectmen attend to the getting the complaint off the road leading from Solomon Annas by Eli Cushmans

Voted to pass over the twentieth article

Voted to set off Reuben Bartlett and others into a school District

Voted not to give anything to help build a School house in said District

Voted that this District begain Bare River Bridge and and at Reub en Bartletts he geing included in said District

Voted to accept of a Bridle Road laid out by the Selectmen from the town line near Isaac Cummings and ending near Eli Cushmans

Voted to accept of a Road as laid by the Selectmen beginning at Stephen Hodsdon and ending at the Road leading from James Hodsdons to Josiah Browns

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Voted that the Selectmen Town Clerk and Treasurer may Licence Retailers and Inn holders as usually has been done in Bethel
Voted to pass over the 25 article respecting the Ministerial Fund money

Moses Mason Jr. Esqr Moderator

Spencer Drake Clerk pro tem
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

A Road

The following are the minutes of the afore mentioned Road Laid out a bridle Road Beginning at a stake and stones on the Town line near Isaac Cummings running north 21 Degs West 30 rods thence north 45 Degs West 43 rods thence West 10 Degs north 24 Rods thence north 44 Degs West 36 Rods thence north 20 Degs West 79 Rods thence north 38 Degs West 68 rods to the Road leading from Eli Estes to Eli Cushmans intersecting said Road at a stake and stones 30 rods south of the school house

Sept. 17 th 1831	Spencer Drake	} Selectmen of Bethel
	Ebe ^r Eames	

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To Phinehas Frost one of the Constables of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre meeting house in said town on Monday the tenth day of Sept. next at one of the Oclock P. M. to give in their votes for Governor, Senators, and a Representative in the next Legislature

Given under our hands at said Bethel this eighteenth day of August AD. 1832

Moses Mason Jr
Spencer Drake
Ebn^r Eames Jr

By virtue of the within Warrant to me directed I have notified the said Inhabitants by posting up notices in three public places

to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed -- Phinehas Frost } Constable of Bethel August 21st 1832

To Phinehas Frost one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the the inhabitants of s^d town qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting house in said town on monday the tenth day of sept. next at two of the Clock P. M. to give in their votes for a County Treasurer for the County of Oxford

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of August AD. 1832

Moses Mason Jr

Eben^r Eames Jr

Spencer Drake

By virtue of this warrant have notified and warned the said Inhabitants for meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned Phinehas Frost Cont of Bethel

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Bethel Sept. 10, 1832

Monday 1 O'clock P.M.

The Town concured agreeable to the procesions of the Constitution and a Warrant for the purposes to give in their votes for Governor, Senators and a Representative in the next Legislature

The Town Clerk being absent Now John Grown Town Clerk pro tem and was qualified by Moses Mason Jr. justic of the Peace

Adjoured to meet again at 2 P. M.

Half past one P. M.

The town met, came to order and Micaiah Blake was chosen as Grand juror and Timothy Chapman as Pitit juror

Two O'clock P. M. The Town met agreeable to adjournmeet, and voted after the warrant being read for the meeting for County Treasurer thae the votes for a Representative be carried in on a Separate piece of paper. The qualified voters then brought in their votes as follows

For Governor	Samuel E. Smith had	194
" "	Daniel Goodnow had	81
For Senators	Samuel Gibson had	194
" "	Jairus Heith had	193
" "	Benjamin Bradford had	80
" "	Benjamin Wyman had	80
For County Treasurer	Alanson Meller had	184
" " "	Frances Clerk had	79

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For Representative

1st Ballot.

O. N. W. Robinson had	114
Asa Kimball had	93
Timothy Hastings	67
No choice	

2^d Ballot

O. N. W. Robinson had	120
Asa Kimball had	95
Timothy Hastings	6
No choice	

3^d Ballot

Asa Kimball had	140
O. N. W. Robinson had	137
Timothy Hastings had	6
No choice	

4th Ballot

Asa Kimball had --	155
O. N. W. Robinson had --	123
Timothy Hastings had --	<u>3</u>
Whole Number of Votes --	281
Necessary to a choice -- --	141

Asa Kimball having one hundred and fifty five votes was declared by the chairman of the Selectmen, who prosided at the meeting duly elected as a Representative from the town in the next Legislature

A true Record

Attest John Grover Town Clerk pro tem

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To Phinehas Frost Constable of Bethel You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to Summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting house on the tenth day of Sept. next at three Oclock P.M. to act on the following articles To wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
- 2^d To see if the town will set off with their Estates into a school District John Grover Norman Clark, Samuel Robinson, Thomas Harding, Joseph Sanborn, Amasa Clark, Isaac Towne, Sumner Towne, Isaac J. Towne, Jedediah Burbank, Charles Frost and Robins Brown
- 3^d To see what method the Town will take to repair Sunday River Bridge
- 4th To act on any other article the town shall think proper when met Given under our hands this twelfth day of August 1832

Moses Mason } Selectmen
Spencer Drake } of
Bethel

Sept 10, 1832

At a town meeting convened at 3 O'clock P. M. pursuant to warrant

1stly Chose Timothy Hastings Moderator

2only Voted to postpone the article to establish John Grover and others into a School District

3dly Chose Ebenezer Eames agent to repair Sunday River Bridge

4thly Voted to refer the location of a Road near Elijah Bartlett's to the next town meeting

A true Record

Attest John Grover Town Clerk pro tem por

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Novm. 5th 1832

To Phinehas Frost one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said Town on Monday the fifth day of Nov^m next at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon to give in their votes for Electors of President and Vice President of the United States

Given under our hands this 20th day of Oct. AD 1832

Spenser Drake } Selectmen
Ebezr Eames } of
Bethel

Bethel October 27th 1832 By virtue of the within warrant to me

directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified by the Constitution by Posting up notices in three public places in said town to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Phinehas Frost } Constable of Bethel

Novm 5th 1832 Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and Doct. Mason presided the Inhabitants when called gave in their votes for Electors in the following manner VIZ

For Silas Barnard two hundred and seven

James G. Churchill two hundred & seven

Joseph Sewall -- two hundred & seven

Nathan Cutter -- two hundred & seven

Isaac Lane -- two hundred & seven

Joseph Kelsey -- two hundred & seven

Ephraim Fletcher two hundred & seven

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For Ellis Burger two hundred and Seven

Samuel Moor two hundred & seven

Rowland H. Bridgham two hundred & seven

Levi Hubbard Sixty seven

Nathaniel Hobbs Sixty seven

John K. Smith Sixty seven

Ebenzer Farley Sixty seven

Eliakin Samman Sixty seven

John Moor -- Sixty seven

John Wilkins Sixty seven

John S. Kimball Sixty seven

Jerimiah O. Brien sixty seven

John D. Dean sixty seven

Doct. Moses Mason Moderator

A true Record

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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To William Estes one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the centre Meeting House in said Bethel on Monday the first day of March next at ten of the o clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles To wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2^d To choose a Clerk and Treasurer
- 3^d To choose Selectmen
- 4th To choose Assessors
- 5th To choose Overseers of the Poor
- 6th To choose a Constable or Constables
- 7 To choose a Collector or Collectors
- 8th To choos a Pound Keeper
- 9th To choose Highway Surveyors
- 10th To choose Surveyors of Lumber
- 11th To choose Tythingmen
- 12th To choose Fence Viewers
- 13th To choose Field Drivers
- 14th To choose School Committee
- 15th To Raise money to defray Town charges
- 16th To Raise money for the repair of Highways
- 17th To See what method The town will take to make the road around Swan Hill

- 18th To See if the Town will accept of certain peices of Roads
as laid out by the Selectmen
- 19th To raise money for the Support of Schools
- 20 To see if the town will set off into a separate School
District John Grover Jedediah Burbank Isaac J. Towne
Charles Frost Joseph Sanborn Thomas Harding and Norman
Clark
- 21th To see if the town will Ebenezer and Timothy Hastings to
the Middle Intervale School District
- 22^d To act on any other matter the town shall think proper when
met

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of Feb AD. 1833

Moses Mason Jr Selectmen
Spencer Drake of
Eben^r Eames Bethel

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Oxford ss March 4th 1833 Pursuant to the within warrant to
me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of Bethel
legally qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the time
and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting notices
thereof in three public places in the town of Bethel seven days
before the meeting

William Estes Constable of Bethel

March 4th 1833

Pursuant to the Warrant the meeting was opened at
the time and place and the Inhabitants passed the following votes
VIZ

- 1st Made choice of Doct. M. Mason Moderator to govern said meeting
- 2^d Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first monday in April

next at 10 of the clock A. M. at things

Moses Mason Jr. Esq^r Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

April 1st 1833

Pursuant to the adjournment the meeting was opened and proceeding to business

- 1st Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk
- 2^d Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Town Treasurer and said Bartlett was sworn in open town meeting according to Law
- 3 Ballotted for 1st Selectman no choice
- 4th Made choice of Asa Kimball 2^d Selectman
- 5th Voted to excuse him from serving as Selectman
- 8th Made choice of Reuben B. Foster 2^d Selectman
- 9th Made choice of Norman Clark 3^d Selectman
- 10th Made choice of M. Mason Esq^r 1st Selectman
- 11th Made choice of M. Mason Jr 1st Assessor
- 12 Made choice of Reuben B. Foster 2 Assessor
- 13 Made choice of Norman Clark 3^d Assessor

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The said Mason, Foster, and Clark were sworn to the faithful performance of their respective Offices according to law in open town meeting by me Barb^r Bartlett justic of the Peace

- 14 Voted that the Selectmen be overseer of Poor
- 15th Voted that William Estes be Constable
- 16 Voted that Phinehas Frost be Constable
- 17 Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Collector of taxes
- 18 Voted to allow him a reasonable compression for collecting s^d taxes
- 19 Voted not to allow any discounts on taxes

Highway Surveyors

Barb ^r Willis excused	Amos Gage Jr
Orsan Powers	Jacob Holt
Adam Willis	Jedediah Grover Jr
Benja Russell	Isaac C. Crofs
Asa Bartlett excused	Jonathan Abbot Jr
Thaddeus Twitchell	Abraham Bryant
Ephraim Rowe	Moses Sweat
Edward Thompson	Moses Chandler
Eli Foster	Hezekiah Andrews
William Holt	Eli Estes
Israel Kimball	Joseph Stearns
James Stearns	
Surveyors of Lumber	Tythingmen
Joseph Twitchell	Rueben B. Foster
Jonathan Abbot	Samuel Barker
Timothy Hastings	James Walker
Samuel Bark(er)	Amos Gage Jr

Fence Viewers

Abraham Bryant	Eehanan Bartlett
Jedediah Burbank	

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Field Drivers

Robert A. Chapman
 Barb^r Willis
 John Jordan
 Jacob Holt
 Moses Chandler
 Nathan Stearns

School Committee

Rev. Charles Frost
 William Frye
 Jotham Lane

Voted to adjourn this meeting twenty minutes and agreeable to the warrant another meeting was opened

1st Made choice of Spencer Drake Moderator

2 Voted not to divide the seventh School District

Agreeable to the adjournment the meeting was opened and Voted that the Treasurer collect the note due from Doct. John Grover after giving him a reasonable notice

Voted to raise five hundred dollars to defray town charges

Voted to set up Wheat the property of the town to be struck off to the highest bidder

Struck off 2 Bushels to E. Eames at \$1.34 per B

" 2 to M. Mason at \$1.34 per Bushel

" 3 to David Sanborn at 1.28 per Bushel

Voted to Stop the sale of Wheat

Voted to raise school money as the law prov

Voted to raise two thousand dollars for Highway

Voted that the Selectmen repair to the road around Swan's Hill and set it up in parcels to be struck off to the lowest Bider who shall have his pay in one year after the road is compleated

Voted to accept to raod laid near James Hodsdons

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Voted not to set off J. Burbank and others

Voted not to set off Timothy Hastings & E. Eames

Voted that a Committee be appointed to District the town into School District by making butts and Bounds

Voted that the Selectmen be this Committe and report their doings at the next town meeting

Voted that the poor be left discrctionary with the Overseers of the Poor

Voted that Richard Estes be School Agent in his District
 Voted not to licence Retailer to sell to be drunk in their stores
 Voted that Treasurer call on the Retailers for their Licence money
 Voted to accept the Roads laid as follows VIZ

A Road

Commenced locating a road south of the south West cerner of Stephen Hodsdon house thence West 10 D. S. 8 rods thence west 40 D. S. 16 Rods on Stephen Hodsdons land thence W. 23 D. S. 60 Rods on James Hodsdons land to the Road leading from Josiah Browns to James Hodsdons said Road to be three rods wide all to be on the south side done by us this sixth day of Novm 1832

Moses Mason Jr	}	Selectmen of
Spencer Drake		Bethel
Eben Eames		

Bethel Nov 6 1832

This certifies that I shall not ask any damage for a road leading from Stephen Hodsdons across across my land the distance of sixty rods aslaid by the Selectmen this day James Hodsdon

Attest Moses Mason Jr.

Atrue Record

Attest Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

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Road August 18th 1832

This day located a rod beginning at the dwellinghouse of David Sanborn thence north -- Degrees East to the County Road leading from Bethel Hill to Rumford no claim for damages

Moses Mason Jr	}	Selectman
		of Bethel

March 30th 1833 This day located a Road beginning at the County

Road 3 Rods South of Aaron Frost House thence north 48 Deg west
19 Rods intersect with the road laid by the town of Newry at the
town line Ebenezer Eames } per order of the Selectmen of
 } Bethel

March 30th 1833 This day located a road Beginning at a gate 15
Rods South of Timothy A. Holts Horse Barn thence South 80 Deg.
East 46 Rods thence North 40 Deg East 22 Rods thence 58 Deg East
32 Rods thence 15 Deg East 32 Rods ending 3 Rods west of Perigrine
Dustins House

Said Road to be a Bridle Road and accepted as such

Eben Eames per order of the Selectmen

A true Record

Attest Barb^r Bartlett town Clerk

Voted to sanction the doings of a School meeting holden by the
Inhabitants of the fifth District on the south side on the six-
teenth day of Novem^{br} AD. 1832

Moses Mason Jr Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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September 9th 1833

To William Estes one of the Constable of the town of Bethel You
are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify
and warn the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified by the Consti-
tution to vote for Representative to assemble at the centre meeting
house in Bethel on the ninth day of Sept. next at ten of the oclock
in the forenoon to give in their votes for Governor and two
Senators and on Representative in the Legislature

Given under hands at said Bethel this nineteenth day

of August AD. 1833

Moses Mason Jr	}	Selectmen
Reuben B. Foster		of
Norman Clark		Bethel

Sept 9th 1833 Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed
I have notified and warned the said Inhabitants to meet at the
time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes } Constable of Bethel

September 9th 1833

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Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at
the time and place The chairman of the Selectmen presided as
Moderator and

1st Voted to cast votes for Governor and two Senators

For Governor Samuel E. Smith had eleven 11

" " Daniel Goodnow forty nine 49

Benjamin Wyman forty nine 49

For Senators Benjamin Br adford forty nine 49

For Governor Robert P. Dunlap onehundred & sixty 160

Joseph Tobin one hundred & seventy two 172

For Senator Daniel Brown one hundred & seventy two

For Representative in the next Legislature

Timothy Hastings had forty four votes 44

John Grover had -- four -- 4

William Frye " twelve -- 12

Joseph Twitchell fifty five -- 55

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O, N. W. Robinson " one hundred & seventeen 117
and the chairman declared him chosen

Moses Mason Jr Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

September 9th 1833

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify
and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel to meet at the Centre
Meeting house in Bethel on the nineth day of Sept next at one
oclock to give in their votes for a Representative to Congress
and County Treasurer

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of August AD. 1833

Moses Mason } Selectmen
Reuben B. Foster } of
Norman Clark } Bethel

September 9th 1833 Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed
I have notified and warned the said inhabitants to meet at the
time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

William Estes Constable

1st Voted for Representative to Congress

John Grover one 1

Stephen Emery twenty five 25

Cornelius Holland thirteen 13

Reuel Washburn thirty one 31

Moses Mason Jr Esq one hundred & sixty 160

For County Alanson Mellen one hundred & thirty three

Treasurer Thomas Clark twenty six

Moses Mason Jr Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett

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September 9th 1833

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
notify and warn the inhabitants of said Bethel to assemble at the

centre Meeting House in said Bethel on the ninth day of September next at three of the O clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to given s^d meeting
- 2^d To see what method the town will take in regard to the road leading from Albany line by Capt Peter Twitchells
- 3^d To see if the town will vote to admit Ambrose Powers of Howards Gore into Elhanan Bartletts school District in said Bethel by his drawing his money from said Gore
- 4th To what the town will do with the Chest and Balls & Thrish in s^d Chest
- 5th To choose a Town Agent to attend to the Complaints on the road and such as are liable to be complained of
- 6th To see if the town will petition the Court to establish the town line or to see what couse the town will take when met
- 7 To see if the town will accept of the location of a Road petitioned for by Gould Spofford

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- 8th To see if the town will accept of the of the location of a Road petitioned for by P. Howard Jr
- 9th To act on any other articles the Town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of August
AD. 1833

Moses Mason Jr } Selectmen
 } of
 } Bethel

Sept 9th 1833 Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed
I have notified and warned the inhabitants of s^d Bethel to
meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned
William Estes Constable of s^d Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and the following votes were passed

- 1st Made choice of Moses Mason Jr. Moderator
- 2^d Voted that Jacob Grover be Agent to superintend the repairing the road now complained of
- 3^d Voted that Ambrose Powers of Howards Gorebe admitted into Elhanan Bartletts School District by his drawing his money from s^d Gore ----
- 4th Voted that the Selectmen be Agents to Superintend the making and repairing of Roads and highways in s^d Bethel
- 5th Voted to reconsider the vote to choose Jacob Grover Agent for s^d town

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- 6th Voted that Reuben B. Foster be the Agent to attend the complaint on Roads in Bethel the present year
- 7th Voted that the Selectmen take measures to make the road complained of so Before Court
- 8th Voted that the Selectmen sell the chest Balls & flints & to the best advantage
- 9th Voted that the Selectmen go and see if they can establish the town line
- 10th Voted that the Selectmen examine again the routs for a roads petitioned by Gould Spafford and Phinehas Howard Jr. and others
- 11th Voted to accept Richard Estes School District as No 1 and Eli Fosters District as No 2 as they are designated by the Selectmen on their plan
- 12th Voted to accept the following names as Jurors and that the Jury Box be revised with the same which was done

Sept. AD. 1833

Spencer Drake

Amos Andrews

Jedediah Burbank

Francis Barker
Walter Mason Jr
Luther Bean
Samuel Barker
Humphery Bean
Adam Willis
Nathan Grover

Israel Kimball
Reuben B. Foster
Norman Clark
Ebenezer Richardspn
Elihu Bean
Eli Foster
Ayers Mason

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Robbins Brown
Ball Bartlett
Elhanan Bartlett
Elias M. Carter
Ebenezer Eames
Aaron Mason

Stephen Bartlett
Robert A. Chapman
Timothy Hastings
John Hastings
Hiram Holt
Nathan Eames

Moses Mason Jr. Moderator
Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

September 27th 1833

To William Estes one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Centre Meeting House on the twenty seventh day of September at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to Govern S^d meeting
- 2^d To raise money to defray town charges
- 3^d To raise money to repair Highways
- 4th To District the town into school Districts or such part as are not Districted
- 5th To see if the town will give any thing and if any thing how

much for the use of the centre meeting house when put in repair for doing town business in

6th To act on any other articles the town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of Sept. AD.

1833

Moses Mason } Selectmen
Norman Clark } of Bethel

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September 27th 1833

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned William Estes Constable

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September 27th 1833

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and 1st Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moderator

2^d Voted to adjourn to the Schoolhouse

3^d Voted to reconsider the Cast vote and adjourn to Doct. Carters Waggon House

4th Voted to pass over the second Article

5th Voted to raise one thousand to repair High Ways

6th Voted to choose 2 Agents on al each end of the town

7 Voted that Leonard & Phinehas Frost be Agents

8 Voted to excuse Leonard Grover from being agent

- 9th Voted that Jeremiah Grover be an Agent
- 10th Voted that the Assessors require the Survey to make a Statement of what is due on their Tax Bills
- 11th Voted that mens labour be 12½ cents per hour
- 12th Voted that the Agents and Surveyors decide what men shall have for their travel to and from the work on the road
- 13th Voted to divide the lower District on the north side between Mr. Willis and Capt. Jonathan Powers
- 14th Voted to accept the report of the Selectmen with the amendent made at this meeting Districting the town into School District

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- 15 Voted to give the Propreitors of the Centre Meeting house twelve dollars for the use of s^d house one year to transact town business in
- 16th Voted that if the Selectmen can not obtain s^d house for \$12 dollars that they warn the next townmeeting at the lower M. house on the next Bill or provide a place to hold the next town meeting
- 17th Voted to accept a bridle Road laid on petition of Gould Spafford and others

Phinehas Frost Moderator

Attest Barb^R Bartlett Town Clerk

Road from the old rod by Whitmans house South eleven Deg East 19½ Rods to a Stake thence South 34 Degs West 40 Rods to a Maple tree thence thence south 41 Degs West 27 Roads to a Stake and Stones thence South 11 Deg West 12 Rods to a Stake and Stones thence South 73 Degs East 22 Rods to Gould Spaffords house

A true Copy as accepted by vote of the town

Attest Barb^R Bartlett } Town Clerk

November 25th 1833

To Phinehas Frost one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
 notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town qualified according
 to law to assemble at the Centre Meeting House on the twenty fifth
 day Nov. instant at one of the clock in the afternoon to give in
 their votes for a Representative in Congress

Given under our hands this ninth day of November
 1833 Moses Mason Jr Selectmen
 Norman Clark of Bethel

Novm. 15th 1833 Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed
 I have notified and warned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time
 and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Phinehas Frost Const. of Bethel

Novm. 25th 1833 Pursuant to the above Warrant the meeting was
 opened and the Inhabitants gave their votes for a Representative
 to Congress as follows VIZ.

For Moses Mason Jr.	-- --	100
" Cornelius Holland	-- -	6
" Stephen Emery	-- --	9
" Reuel Washburn	-- --	3

Moses Mason Jr. Chairman of the Selectmen
 Presided at this meeting

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

To Phinehas Frost one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel
 You are hereby requested in the name of the State of Maine to
 notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote
 in town affairs to assemble at the centre House in s^d town on the
 25th day of November Inst at 2 of the Clock P. M. to act on the

following Articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
- 2 To see if the town will accept a certain Road as laid out by the Selectmen to convert Urban Shorey and others
- 3^d To transact any other business the town may think proper when met

Given under our hands this 14th day of November AD.

1833 Moses Mason Jr Selectmen
Norman Clark of Bethel

Novm 15th 1833 Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the said Inhabitants to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed

Phinehas Frost Constable of Bethel

Novm 25th 1833 Pursuant to the above Warrant this meeting was opened and

- 1st Made choice of M. Mason Jr Moderator
- 2^d Voted to accept the road as laid by the Selectmen on the Petition of Urban Sorey and others

M. Mason Jr Moderator

Attest Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

For want of paper the Road above mentioned is recorded in last of the Book

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Aaron Barton's Vendue Proceedings Constable of Bethel Janu. 15. 1833
Notice is hereby given to the nonresident Proprietors and owners of the following Lots of Land lying in the town of Bethel, County of York, that their lots of Land are taxed in a Lots, County & town, School House & Road tax, in the Bills committed to me to collect of said Owners for the year AD. 1798 to collect in the following respective Sums VIZ) -- -- --

No. lots	Range	State tax	town taxes	County tx	School House tax	Road tax
29	2	1	1	6	11	22
30	1	1	1	6	11	22
23	2	1	1	6	11	22
13	8	1	1	6	11	22
32	3	1	1	6	11	22
17	1	1	1	6	11	22
6	4	1	1	6	11	22
27	9	1	1	6	11	22
13	3	1	1	6	11	22
23	9	1	1	6	11	22
4	2	1	1	6	11	22
30	2	1	1	6	11	22
17	2	1	1	6	11	22
23	10	1	1	6	11	22
19	6	1	1	6	11	22
3	2	1	1	6	11	22
24	1	1	1	6	11	22
5	1	1	1	6	11	22
25	2	1	1	6	11	22
15	7	1	1	6	11	22
28	1	1	1	6	11	22
33	3	1	1	6	11	22
21	8	1	1	6	11	22

No. lots	Range	State tax	town taxes	County tx	School House tax	Road tax
30	4	1	16	11	--	22
14	10	1	16	11	--	22
30	8	1	16	11	--	22
8	4	1	16	11	--	22
28	8	1	16	11	--	22
16	1	1	16	11	--	22
10	9	1	16	11	--	22
33	1	1	16	11	--	22
1	8	1	16	11	--	22
20	4	1	16	11	--	22
15	6	1	16	11	--	22
3	5	1	16	11	--	22
16	2	1	16	11	--	22
2	1	1	16	11	--	22
12	5	1	16	11	--	22
3	6	1	16	11	--	22
18	8	1	16	11	--	22
28	6	1	16	11	--	22
16	9	1	16	11	--	22
11	6	1	16	11	--	22
14	3	1	16	11	--	22
24	4	1	16	11	--	22
24	2	1	16	11	--	22
7	4	1	16	11	--	22

Continued

No Lots	Ranges	State tax	town taxes	county & School	House tax	Road tax	No Lots	Ranges	State tax	town taxes	County & School	House tax	Road tax
		6	6	M	6	6			6	6	M	6	6
14	1	1	1	6	11	22	30	3	1	1	6	11	22
29	9	1	1	6	11	22	30	5	1	1	6	11	22
29	1	1	1	6	11	22	14	9	1	1	6	11	22
10	5	1	1	6	11	22	11	8	1	1	6	11	22
12	6	1	1	6	11	22	17	6	1	1	6	11	22
25	8	1	1	6	11	22	12	3	1	1	6	11	22
8	7	1	1	6	11	22	21	6	1	1	6	11	22
27	6	1	1	6	11	22	28	9	1	1	6	11	22
4	1	1	1	6	11	22	26	1	1	1	6	11	22
6	6	1	1	6	11	22	25	1	1	1	6	11	22

And unless said taxes & costs of Advertising are paid to me on or before the fifteenth day of January next, so much of said land will be sold at Vendue as well be sufficient to pay the Same with all intervening charges at the dwelling House of the Subscriber in in Bethel a foresaid the Sale to begin at ten of the clock in the forenoon on said day. ----

Aaron Barton, Collector

Bethel Nov. 6th 1799

Continued ----

Pursuant to the foregoing Advertisement I the Subscriber opened the Vendue for the Sale of Lands for the payment of taxes as Set forth in said Advertisements. Adding \$2.144 cost upon Each lot to defray the Expenes of sale & the cost. -----

	lot	R	Acres	
Capt Eli Twitchell Bet.	30	1	58	2.50
Int Amos Gage "	18	4	44	2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell "	- 39	6	75	2.50
" " " "	- 27	9	100	2.50
Doct Cushil Hathway "	- 13	3	80	2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell "	- 4	2	85	2.50
Int. Amos Gage "	- 30	2	69	2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell "	- 23	10	79	2.50
Lt. Jon ^{ath} Clark "	- 19	6	75	2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell "	- 3	2	100	2.50
" --" -- "	- 24	1	83	2.50
" - " -- "	- 25	2	94	2.50
" - " -- "	- 33	3	28	2.50
Rueben Bartlett "	- 21	8	95	2.50
M ^r . Trneis Keyes "	- 30	8	30	2.50
M ^r . Roger Merrill "	- 8	4	90	2.50
" Reuben Bartlett "	- 16	1	99	2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell "	- 33	1	71	2.50
" - " - " - "	- 3	5	70	2.50
M. Reuben Bartlett "	- 18	8	69	2.50

Continued -----

	Lot	R	Acres	
M ^r . Roger Merrill bougter	11	6	100	2.50
" Nathaniel Greenwood "	- 29	9	50	2.50

		Lot	R	Acres	
Capt. Eli Twitchell	boughter	- 29	- 1	- 65	-- 2.50
M ^r . Roger Merrill--	"	- 32	- 3	- 100	-- 2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell -	"	- 10	- 5	- 69	-- 2.50
M ^r . Amos Powers-	"	- 8	- 7	- 70	-- 2.50
" Reuben Bartlett-	"	- 1	- 6	- 79	-- 2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell -	"	- 30	- 3	- 60	-- 2.50
M ^r . Roger Merrill -	"	- 14	- 9	- 50	-- 2.50
Capt. Eli Twitchell -	"	- 17	- 6	- 48	-- 2.50
" - " - "	"	- 12	- 3	- 75	-- 2.50
" - " - "	"	- 25	- 1	- 61	-- 2.50

All the lots that are bid down, win to be set off to the Purcher at the North end of said lots. ----

Timothy Carter Clerk of said vendue

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M^r. Joseph Grely is Vendue proceedings

Advertisement Jan 20th 1800

Notice is hereby given to the nonresident Proprietors or owners of Lands lying in the Town of Bethel in the County of York, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, that the in lots containing 100 Acres are severally Taxed in the bill for the Year 1797 and committed to me the subscriber to collect they are taxed in the following manner (VIZ) the flate tax is 1 Cent five mills, town 3 Cents & 3 mills, the school 7 Cents and 5 mills making a sum of 12 Cents & 4 mills on Each lot & which have not been paid for the following lots (viz)

Lot	Range	Lot	Range	Lot	Range	Lot	Range
18	4	24	1	24	9	3	6
32	5	5	1	25	10	14	3
17	1	25	9	8	7	8	4
6	4	21	8	27	6	28	8

Lot	Range	Lot	Range	Lot	Range	Lot	Range
27	9	30 -	4	4 -	1	16 -	
30	2	14 -	10	17 -	6	15 -	6
23	10	23 -	4	31 -	6	3 -	5
19	6	7 -	4	26 -	8	2 -	1
3	2	14 -	1	12 -	5		

The following Interval lots are likewise Taxed in the following manner (Viz) lot 38 and 45 to the Rate 4 mills & town 2 Cents & School 4 Cents on Each lot -- If no Person shall appear to discharge said Taxes & all necessary intervening charges on or before the 26 day of March next at 10. Oclock in the forenoon, so much of the said land as will be sufficient to discharge the same will be sold at Public Auction at the dwelling House of Joseph G. Swan in said Bethel According to Law-----

Joseph G. Swan Collector

Bethel Jan^y 20th 1800

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Bethel March 26th 1800

The conditions of the following Vendue (Viz) Joseph G. Swans, Pursuant to the foregoing Adventsment - Opened the (sal) at the time and Place appointed waited two hours then Proceeded to see -- making taxes & costs amount to four Dollars upon cash lots, two Dollars to be paid down & two Dollars to be paid at the expiration of the redemption on each lot likewise.

M^r. John York Vendue Maker

Benj^a. Russell Esq. Clerk of s^d. Vendue

All the lots that are bid down is to be set off to the Purcher at the fouth end of said lots

	No	Range	Acres		\$
Redeemed	18 -	4 -	49	sold to Capt. Eli Twitchell	4.

	No	Range	Acres		\$
	32 -	5 -	30	do do do do	4.
	27 -	9 -	99	sold to Dec. ⁿ Ezra Twitchell	4.
	30 -	2 -	100	sold to Int. Amos Gage	4.
Redeemed	23 -	10 -	100	sold to Capt. Eli Twitchell	4.
	3 -	2 -	100	sold to John York --	4.
	24 -	1 -	100	sold to Asa Cummings --	4.
	25 -	9 -	100	sold to E. Chapman --	4.
	21 -	8 -	100	sold to Roger Merrill --	4.
	8 -	4 -	100	sold to - do - do --	4.
	16 -	1 -	30	sold to - do - do --	4.
	3 -	5 -	100	sold to Asa Cummings	4.
	2 -	1 -	100	sold to -do - do --	4.
	14 -	3 -	100	sold to -do - do --	4.
	8 -	7 -	100	sold to Amos Powers --	4.
Redeemed	17 -	6 -	100	sold to Int Amos Gage --	4.

Contra.

Dea. ⁿ Ezra Twitchell by cash	-----	2
M. ^r Asa Cummings by cash	-----	6
M. ^r Roger Merrill do - do	-----	2
M. ^r John York - do - do	-----	2
Capt. Eli Twitchell do do	-----	7.9
M. ^r Eliphaz Chapman do do	-----	2
M. ^r Amos Powers - do do	-----	2

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Int. Amos Gage's Vendue proceedings ---

March 15th 1802 ---

Adventisments. -----

To the nonresidents proprietors or owners of

Lands lying Bethel, in the county of York, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts. That their land is severally taxed to the town, County & State for the year 1800, and committed to me the subscriber to collect. -- Lots containing one hundred Acres are taxed as follow (viz)

Lots No	Range	Value	Town Tax	Highway Tax	State Tax
6	- 9	- \$50.-	.07	- .16	- .005
5	- 4	- 25.-	.03	- .08	- .--2
11	- 5	- 35	- .5	- .10	- .--4
31	- 1	- 30	- .4	- .9	- .003
11	- 8	- 60	- .8	- .17	- .--6
6	- 1	- 30	- .4	- .9	- .--3
11	- 6	- 35	- .5	- .10	- .--4

Likewise the southerly end of the following lots are taxed which tax is not paid (viz) --

No	- R	- A	-			
30	- 3	- 40	- 14	- .023	- .04	- .002
25	- 1	- 29	- 11	- .18	- .3	- .--1
30	- 1	- 40	- 13	- .2	- .03	- .--2
4	- 2	- 15	- 4	- .8	- .1	- .--1
33	- 3	- 73	- 45	- .6	- .12	- .--4

If no person shall appear to discharge said taxes & all necessary charges on or before Monday the tenth day of May next, at ten oclock in the forenoon, so much of said land as will be sufficient to discharge the same, will be sold at Public Auction at the dwelling house of the Subscriber in Bethel.-----

Amos Gage Collector

Bethel March 15th 1802.

Cumberland ss.

Rumford Nov. 30th 1802

Personally appeared Francis Keyes & made solemn oath that the foregoing Advertisement stood Passed up three weeks successively pursuant by to the time of sale

before me Gustovus A. Goss Justice of P.--

Bethel May 10th 1802

Opened Vendue at the time set fourth in the foregoing advertisement, adding two Dollars & Eighty four Cents for Cost to each Lets.--

Names	--	N ^o	-	Range	-	Acres	-	Tax	-	added	-	End
Micah Munro		5	-	4	-	100	-	.116-	2.84	-	of Pots	
Benj. Russell Esq		11	-	5	-	50	-	.154-	2.84	-	South	
Eliphaz C. Lapham Jr.		31	-	1	-	100	-	.133-	2.84	-		
Nathan Marble		11	-	6	-	50	-	.154-	2.84	-	North	
Micah Murno -		6	-	1	-	100	-	.133-	2.84	-		
Capt Eli Twitchell		25	-	1	-	29	-	.049-	2.84	-	South	
Capt Eli Twitchell		30	-	1	-	20	-	.072-	2.84		North	
Capt. Eli Twitchell		33	-	3	-	10	-	.184-	2.84	-	"	-
Capt Eli Twitchell		4	-	2	-	15	-	.059-	2.84	-	had	

Amos Gage Collector &

Vendue Master -----

Timothy Carter Clerk of said

Vendue -----

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Lt. David Coffin's Vendue proceedings --
 Adventisment, Aug^t 28-1802 ----

Notice is hereby given to the nonresident proprietors & owners, of the following lots of land in the town of Bethel in the County of York, that they are taxed to the state, County & town for the year 1801, as follows & the bills comitted to me to the subscriber

to collect

Lots.	Ranges	- Tax	Lots	Ranges	- Tax--
6	- 9	-.265	30	- 3	- .265
5	- 4	-.265	3	- 1	- .265
13	- 8	-.265	3	- 5	- .265
31	- 2	-.265	33	- 2	- .265
10	- 5	-.265	21	- 6	- .265
6	- 1	-.265	20	- 7	- .265
11	- 5	-.265	11	- 6	- .265
12	- 8	-.265	11	- 8	- .265
1	- 2	-.265	6	- 1	- .265
3	- 3	-.265	19	- 4	- .265
			38	-	.265

20 Intervale Lots with the whole right 1.06--

Unless said taxes with all neccessary charges on paid on or before Monday the 20 day of Sept. Next, so much of said lands will be sold at Public Auction, as will be sufficient to to pay the same at the House of the subscriber in said Bethel, at ten oClock in the forenoon.--

David Coffin Collector

Bethel Aug.^t 28th 1802-----

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Bethel Sept. 20th 1802

Opened Vendue at the time & place set fourth in the foregoing Advertisement Conditions as follows (viz) what land land is sold to to be set off at the south end of said lots - four Dollars upon cash lots including Taxes & Costs - all the cash down -- Names of those Persons that bought land ---

	Acres	Lot	Range
Elijaz Bond --	48-	" - "31	- "-2

	Acres	Lot	Range
Elijaz Bond --	48- "	- "10 -	" - 5
Elijaz Bond --	50- "	- " 6 -	" - 1
Elijaz Bond --	47- "	- " 5 -	" - 4
Lt William Reed	49- "	- " 11-	" - 5
- William Reed	70- "	- " 12-	" - 8
Maj. Robert Goddard	65- "	- " 3 -	" - 1
Lt. William Reed	whole lot-	" 21-	" - 6
"- William Reed	90- "	- " 11-	" - 6
Elijah Bond	19- "	- " 11-	" - 8

Lt. David Coffin collect &
vendue master. ---

Mr Timothy Carter Clerk of Vendue.

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Bethel Novm 23^d Laid out a road in the petition of Urban Shory and others

Beginning at what is called the Nath^l Swan road at a hemlock tree North 50 Deg to the lot line between Shory and Gossom 53 Rods Thence north 20 Deg. West. on lot line 53 Rods all to be on the west side of the line

Thence north 16 Deg. East on Gossom land 23 Rods to the north line of said Gossoms land to land owned by Edmond Bean

Thence North 70 East all to to be on said Beans 18 rods to what is called the Gossom Road the whole distance being 147 Rods and to be three rods wide. The said Shory Gossom and Bean being the persons who owned the land and they claim no damage

Moses Mason Jr } Selectmen
Rueben B. Foster } of Bethel

Recorded by Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

March 3^d 1834 ¹

To Phinehas Frost one of the Constables of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the state of Maine to summon and notify the inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified to vote in town affairs to assembly at the lower Meeting House on the south side of the River in said town on Monday the third day of March at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles viz.

- 1st To choos a Moderator to govern said Meeting
- 2^d To choose Clerk
- 3^d To choose three or more Selectmen
- 4th To choose three or more Assessors
- 5th To choose a Treasurer & Collector and Constables
- 6th To choose a Town Agent
- 7th To choose an Agent in each school District
- 8th To choose Surveyors of highways
- 9th To choose Surveyors of Lumber
- 10th To choose Tythingmen
- 11 To choose Fence viewers
- 12 To choose Field Drivers
- 13th To choose 3 or more School Committee
- 14 To see how much money the town will raise to defray town charges
- 15th To see how much money the town will raise to repair Roads
- 16th To see how much school money the town will raise
- 17th To see what the town will do about building Town house
- 18th To see what the town will do about building a work house
- 19 To see how the Town will Support the Poor the ensuing year
- 20 To accept or allow accounts
- 21th To act on any other matter the town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this tenth day of February AD. 1834

Reuben B. Foster Selectmen
Norman Clark of Bethel

Bethel Feb 20 1834 Pursuant to the warrant I have notified and

warned the Inhabitants of said town qualified as therein appeared to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned over Phin Frost Constable of Bethel

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March 3^d 1834 2

Pursuant to the foregoing the meeting was opened at the time and place and

- 1st Made choice of Spencer Drake Esq. Moderator
 - 2 Voted to receive the votes from the inhabitants as they sit in their seats and are called by the Selectmen
 - 3 Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett town Clerk and he was sworn by S. Drake Esq. according to law
 - 4 Voted to act on the 20th Article first
 - 5 Voted to allow J. Abbott's account \$1.00
 - 6 Voted to allow Chs Frost up to Feb 28th 1834 as School Committee
tee ----- 5.00
 - 7 " " Norman Clarks account 24.18
 - 8 " " Reuben B. Foster account 30.50
 - 9 " " Reuben B. Foster dito 5.50
 - 10 Voted to allow Barb^r Bartlett 3 percent on all the Bills committed to him for collection
 - 11 " " Reuben B. Foster account 4.60
 - 12 Made choice of Phin Frost 1st Selectman
 - 13 Made choice of Timothy Hastings 2^d Selectman
 - 14 Made choice of J. Burbank 3 Selectman
 - 15 Made choice Phinehas Frost 1 Assessor
" " Timothy Hastings 2 Assessor
" " Jed^h Burbank 3^d Assessor
- The above Officers chosen by Ballot and were sworn
- 16 Made choice of Barb^r Bartlett Treasurer

- 17 Voted that the Treasurer be Collector
 - 18 Voted to give the Treasurer 3 erc^t for Collecting
 - 19 Voted to reconsider the last vote
 - 20 Voted to reconsider the vote of Making the Treasurer collector
 - 21st Voted that Barb^r Bartlett be Collector
 - 22 Made choice of George Chapman Constables
 - 23 Made choice of William P. Frost
 - 24 Made choice of Timothy Hastings as Agent
 - 25 Voted to excuse said Hastings as Agent
 - 26 Voted that Jed^h Burbank be Agent
- Voted to allow each School Agent to be chosen in his own District
- Voted to reconsider the last vote and
- Made choice of the following persons as School Agents

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Ephraim Pwers
 Samuel Holt
 Walter Mason Jr.
 Gillman Chapman
 Thaddus Twitchell
 James Grover X
 Jonathan Abbot
 Humphry Bean
 Joel Howe

John M. Bean
 Seth B. Russell
 Abner Brown
 Ebenezer Eames
 Eli Ester
 Leonard Grover X
 Hiram Holt
 Willam P. Frost
 Luther Bean

Isaac I. Towne

Voted to reconsider the vote making the School Agents Highway Surveyors

Voted that the following persons be Highway Surveyors

Ephraim Powers

John Estes voted to excuse

John Estes
 Richard Estes
 Justin Bean
 Gillman Chapman
 Jedediah Grover Jr.
 C. Seavy
 Nathan Grover
 John B. Knight
 John S. Swan
 Timothy Aayer
 Jonathan Chapman
 Leadner Swett

Samuel Bean
 David Sanborn
 Peter Grover
 Clement Seavy Voted to excuse
 Luther Bean
 Micaiah Blake
 Abial Chandler
 Jedediah Kimball
 Summer Stearns
 Abner Brown

Reuben B. Foster

Voted that Highway Surveyors be Fence Viewers

Surveyors of Lumber

Bezaleel Kendall
 Jonathan Abbot

Edmond Merrill X
 Phinehas Frost

Tything Men

Reuben B. Foster
 Amos Gage

Robbins Brown excused

Voted that the Highway Surveyors be fence Viewers

Field Drivers

Jonathan Powers Jr.
 William Chapman

Abial Walker X Eli Chapman
 Robert A. Chapman X

The above named town officers who have not this mark X affixed
 to the name were sworn according to law in open town meeting
 before Barb^r Bartlett Just Peace

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4 School Committee

Charles Frost

William Frye and Moses Bartlett

Voted to raise one thousand dollars to defray town charges
 Votes to raise two thousand & five hundred dollars to repair
 highways

Voted to raise school money as the law provides

Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to draft a plan of a Town
 house and report the same and the place where said house
 shall stand at the next town meeting

Voted to leave the care of the Poor discretionary with the Select-
 men

Spencer Drake Esquire Moderator

Recorded by

Barb^r. Bartlett Town Clerk

Sept. 8th AD. 1834

To William P. Frost one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
 summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to
 vote in town affairs to assemble at Middle Intervale Meeting
 House in said town on the second Monday of Sept. next at ten of
 the clock in the fore noon to act on the following articles to wit

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern s.^d Meeting
- 2 To see if the town will vote to set off Timothy Barker and
 nine others into a school District
- 3 To see if the town will accept a Road laid on the petition
 of John Cushman and others
- 4 To accept a Road laid on petition of H. Allen an Others
- 5 To accept a Road laid on petition of G. W. Philps & Others
- 6 To accept a Road laid on pet. of R. F. Farwell & Others
- 7 To accept a Road laid on pet. of P. Howard & Others
- 8 To accept a Road laid on pet. of Rufus Grover & Others
- 9 To accept a Road laid on pet. of Tilden Bartlett & others
- 10 To see if the town set off Jonas Willis from

- 5
- his School District and annex him to the District below
 - 11 To see if the town will pay twelve dollars a year for the use of the Middle Intervale Meeting house to hold town meeting
 - 12 To see if the town will set off Thomas Goss to Bryant Detters
 - 13 To transact any other Business the town may think proper when met

Given under our hands this twenty fifth day of
August AD. 1834

Phinehas Frost
Timothy Hastings Selectmen of Bethel
Jed^h Burbank

August 20th 1834

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified as within to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned
William P. Frost Constable of Bethel

Sept. 8th 1834

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place and

- 1st Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moderator to govern s^d meeting
- 2 Voted to set off Timothy Barker and more others into a School District
- 3^d Voted to accept a road bid for John Cushman and others with this proviso, that the town be not called on to make said road till after three years but that it be made by the Petitions
- 4 Voted to accept land for G. W. Philps and others with the proviso that the town be not called in to make said till after four years
- 5th Voted to accept a road laid on pet. of R. F. Farwell and others
- 6 Voted to accept a road bid on pet. of Phinehas Howard and others as a bridle passway

- 7th Voted to accept a Road laid for Rufus Grover and others
- 8th Voted to accept a road laid for Tilden Bartlett & others
- 9 Voted to pass over the 10th article
- 10th Voted to pass over the 11th article and all others 11th
- Voted to accept the Road on the petition of Hiram Allen

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- 11th Voted that ~~Thomas Goss~~ with his Property be set onto the Bryant School District so called
- 12th Voted to reconsider the vote on the s^d article setting off Timothy Barker and others into a school Dist.
- 13th Voted that the next several town meeting be holden at the upper Meeting House in West Parish
- 14 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to confer with the Proprietors Committee of Middle Intervale Meeting house and report at the next annual Meeting what the privelege in said house can be had for to hold town meetings in for the future
- 15th Voted to allow Doct^r Mason account \$20.57
- 16 Voted to allow Jeremiah Grovers account 5.00

Phinehas Frost Moderator

Recorded by

Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

Sept. 8th 1834

To William P. Frost one of the Constables of Bethel
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitatns of said town qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the Meeting House near Doct. Timothy Carters on the second Monday of Sept. next at tweleve of the clock at noon to give in their votes for Governor two Senators and one Representative to the Legislature in this State Also

to give in their votes for a County Treasurer The said Inhabitants also are required to give in their votes for an amendment to the Constitution of this State in compliance with the directions of a Resolve of the Legislature paped

March 7th 1834

The Selectmen will be in session on the morning of the second morning of Sept. next nine of the clock to recieve evidence of the qualifications of voters

Bethel August 25th 1834

Phinehas Frost
Timothy Hastings
Jedediah Burbank

Selectmen of Bethel

carried up

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August 28th 1834

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants qualified by the Constitution to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed

William P. Frost Constable of Bethel

Sept. 8th 1834

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was opened at the time and place the Selectmen presiding

1st Voted that the votes for Governor, Senators, County Treasurer and Representative to Congress all be cast on one ticket and they were cast as follows To wit

For

Governor } Robert P. Dunlope two hundred thirty three
Peley Sprague seventy two

For

Senators } Joseph Tobin two hundred thirty five
Daniel Brown two hundred thirty five

{ Ebenezer Poor Seventy two
 Daniel Bean Seventy two
 For
 Representative } Moses Mason Jr. one hundred eighty eight
 to Congress } Timothy J. Carter forty eight
 { N. S. Littlefield one
) Oliver Herrck Seventy two

For } Hanson Miller fifty seven
 County } Thomas Crocker one hundred seventy five
 Treasurer } Thomas Clark seventy two

For
 Representative } Capt. Asa Kimball had one hundred and seventy
 to } nine votes and was chosen
 Legislature

The Inhabitants gave their votes for and against the amendment of
 the Constitution of the State as follows
 twenty four yeas and twenty four Nos

Recorded by Barb^r Bartlett Town Clerk

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Road

August 4th 1834 Agreeable to the petition of John Cushman
 and Others for a Road Begun two rods south of the house of
 Elijah Bartletts first Run North 52 Degs East 46 Rods then North
 61 Degs E. 58 Rods to the Road leading from James Hodsdon to
 James Walker Mill Then begun 4 Rods south of the house of Stephen
 Hodsdon first Run N. 57 D. E. 42 Rods thence N. 59 D. E. 120
 Rods thence N. 46 Deg E 40 Rods thence N. 74 Deg E. 34 Rods thence
 N. 82 D. E. 27 R thence N. 44 D. E. 36 Rods thence N. 15 D. E 148

Rods thence N 41 D. E 60 Rods thence to the County Road South of the free Meeting House in the East Parish Said Road to be 2 Rods wide each side of said line

Jonathan Virgin Claims damages

Apprised at \$22.50

Phinehas Frost { Selectmen of
Timothy Hastings } Bethel

2 Road on the petition of George Philps and others Begun on the south side of the River leading Jed^h Grover to Bethel Hill on the line between land of Jed^h Grover and Rufus Grover Run south 20 Degs E. 80 Rods to land of George W. Philps said Road to be 2 Rods wide on each side of said line

Phinehas Frost }
Timothy Hastings } Selectmen of
Jed^h Burbank } Bethel

3 Road on petition of Robert T. Farwell & others for a road from said Roberts to William Farwells Begun at a pine stump standing near the back side of said Roberts Barn thence East 10 Deg. south 98 Rods thence E. 20 D. North 12 Rods to William Farwells house said road 2 Rods on each side of said line

Timothy Hastings } Selectmen of
Phinehas Frost } Bethel

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4 Road on the petition of Phinehas Howard & others Begun about 10 Rods west of William Bartletts house at a stake thence North 38 D. East 52 Rods within one and a half rods of the line between Phinehas Howard and John Estes 2^d thence North 70 Deg East 26 Rods on land owned by by said Howard thence North 11 D. West 28

R. thence N. 30 Degs West 12 Rods thence N. 10 D. West 16 R.
thence N. 16 Deg E. 52 Rods thence N. 19 Deg W. 60 Rods thence
North 4 D. W 40 Rods thence N 17 W. 34 Rods thence North 20 Deg
W. 66 Rods to the old Road leading to said John Estes said Road
to be one & a half Rods wide on each side of said line

Appraised damage on said Estes land at \$36.00

August 16th 1834

Phinehas Frost { Selectmen of
Timothy Hastings { Bethel

5 Road on the petition of Rufus Grover & others Beginning at the
north side of said Grovers house thence North 13 Degs W. 38 Rods
to the Road leading from Jede Grovers to Bethel Hill

July 5th 1834

Phinehas Frost {
Timothy Hastings { Selectmen of
Jed^h Burbank { Bethel

6 Alteration in a Road from Isaac Estes house to the line of Hamlins
Gore on the Petition of Tilden Bartlett & others Begun at a
stake on the east side of the Road about six rods north said
Estes old house thence south 35 Deg East 106 Rods to the line
of Gore striking the line between Silvanus Bartlett & Bars
said Road to be 1½ Rods on each side of said line

7 Also located a Road on the petition of said Tilden & others
Begun 2 Rods east of said Tildens house thence south 21 D. E.
200 Rods to the town line being a bout 4 Rods east of the Brook
said Road to be 1½ Rods each side said line

August 30th 1834

Phinehas Frost } Selectmen
Timothy Hastings } of Bethel

Road on the petition of Hiram Allen and others Begun on the
North side of the County Road opposite Doct. John Grovers old
Barn near the North east corner thence North 20 Deg East 39 Rods

and 4 links to the River to be one Road wide on each side of said line Appraised the damage of said Road which is on Amasa Clarks land five dollars per year The Petitions are to furnish hang and maintain a good and sufficient Gate at the commencement of said Road and pay the damage

July 5th 1834

Phinehas Frost (Selectmen of
Jed^h Burbank } Bethel

Voted to discontinue so much of the Road leading from the School house near John Williamson by William Farwells to the John Swift house so called as there is, from when it leaves Timothy A. Holts Road to the said Swifts house as petitioned for by William Farwells and others

To George Chapman one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine, to summon & notify the inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the meeting house in the west parish in said town near Barker's ferry, on Monday the second day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles to wit:

1. To choose a Moderator to goven said meeting.
2. To receive and allow accounts.
3. To choose a Clerk for said Bethel
4. To choose Selectmen and Assessors.
5. To choose a Treasurer and Collector.
6. To choose Constables.

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- 7th. To choose a Town Agent.

- 8.th To choose Highway Surveyors.
- 9.th To choose Surveyors of lumber.
- 10.th To choose Fielddrivers.
- 11.th To choose Fenceviewers.
- 12.th To choose School Committee.
- 13.th To choose School Agents.
- 14.th To choose Tythingmen.
- 15.th To
- 16.th To choose Pound Keeper.
- 17.th To choose all other officers, that the law required.
- 18.th To raise money to repair highways.
- 19.th To raise money for schools.
- 20.th To raise money for the support of town paupers and defray town charges.
- 21.st To see if the town will set off, from district numbered eleven, the following persons and their estates, and to establish the bounds of said district in the most suitable place, Luther Bean, David York, Amos Andrews, Benjamin Seveat, Moses Sweat & Assom Bisbee.
- 22.nd To see if the town will discontinue the road leading from the river road near the school-house in Reuben B. Foster's District to Howard's Gore line
- 23.^d To see if the town will accept the report of the Committee in reference to the middle intervale Meeting - house, to hold the town meetings in, in future.
- 24.th To see if the town will consent that Stephen Launden's & others in Howard's Gore may have the privilege of paying their money into the Adam Willis district and send their scholars there also.
- 25.th To transact any other business, that maybe proper when met.
- 26.th To see if the town will divide the school district numbered five or Amos Gage's district agreeable to a petition of the selectmen.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of February
AD. 1835

Phin^s Frost } Selectmen
 Timothy Hastings } of
 Jed^h Burbank } Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest William Frye, Town Clerk

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12 Bethel March 2^d 1835. Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned.

George Chapman, Constable of Bethel

A true copy of the return upon the foregoing warrant.

Attest William Frye Town Clerk

March 2nd 1835.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned and, the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk,

1st Made choice of Edmond Merrill, Moderator to govern said meeting

2^d Voted to allow Phineas Frosts' account against the town being \$38.75.

3^d Voted to allow Timothy Hastings' account against the town being \$27.12.

4th Voted to allow Jedediah Burbank's account against the town being \$19.00.

5th Voted to allow Doct. Moses Mason's account against the town being \$ 2.84.

6th Voted to allow William P. Frost account against the town being \$ 2.00

- 7.th Voted to allow Rev. Charles Frost's account against the town being \$6.66
- 8.th Voted to allow George Chapman's account against the town being \$1.00
- 9.th Vote not to allow Joseph Gilson's account against the town
- 10.th Voted to allow Benjamin Amos twenty five cents per week for Keeping Silas P. Farwell.
- 11.th Voted to allow Barbour Bartlett three per centum, for serving the town as collector and Treasurer, on the bills, committee to him for collection for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty four, except on bills against those persons, who came were in properly taxed by the assessors.
- 12.th Voted to allow Doct. Timorthy Carters, for serving as school committee and trustee of school & ministerial fund up to this time \$12.50
- 13.th Voted to allow Adam Willis' account for attending two meetings of the Trustee's of school & Ministerial Fund, being \$1.00

- 14th Voted that the Selectmen allow, discretionasily, to Edmond Chapman a compensation in consequence of the pauper's being lame.
- 15th Voted that the votes be cast without reading the list voters.
- 16th Made choice of William Frye, Town Clerk, who was sworn, in open town meeting, before Barbour Bartlett Esquire, a justice of the peace for the County of Oxford & town clerk for the year last past truely to record all votes passed in this and other town meetings during the year and untill another clerk should be chosen and sworn in

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in his stead, and also faithfully to discharge all other duties of his said office.

- 17th Made choice of Phineas Frost for the first Selectman
- 18th Made choice of Timothy Hastings for the second Selectman
- 19th Made choice of Jedediah Burbank for the third Selectman
- 20th Made choie of Phineas Frost, Timothy Hastings and Jedediah Burbank for assessors.
- 21th Voted that the offices of Treasurer & Collector be kept separate.
- 22^d Voted to choose the Treasurer by hand vote.
- 23rd Made choice of Ebenezer Eames for Treasurer.
- 24th Voted that the office of Collector of taxes be set up and struck off to the lowest bidder, he produing in open town meeting, good bondmen for the faithful performance by him of the duties of his said office.
- 25th The office of Collector was put up, agreeable to the preceeding vote, and struck off to Stephen Bartlett at two and three fourth per centum upon all bills of taxes which may be committed to him to collect, except on those bills which may be improperly assessed.

- 26th Made choice of Stephen Bartlett for collector, who was sworn into office by taking the oath prescribed by law, before William Frye, town Clerk, in open town meeting and accepted Barbour Bartlett and Aaron Cuason for his bondmen.
- 27th Made choice of Caleb Rowe & Stephen Bartlett for constables, who were sworn into office in open town meeting by taking the oath prescribed by law, before William Frye town clerk.
- 28th Made choice of William Frye for Town Agent.
- 29th Made choice of Benjamin Estes, Peter Estes,
 William Holt, Ayers Mason,
 Ball Bartlett, Silas Grover,
 George V. Ellingwood, Jeremiah Grover,
 Asa Bartlett, Abraham Jordan,
 Moses Bartlett, Aopheus Swan,
 Humphrey Bean, Elias M. Carter,
 Pyson Bisbee, James Grover,
 Jonathan C. Roberson, James Hodsdon,
 Daniel Estes, Jonathan Stearns,
 Adam Willis, Elihue Kilgore,
 Tyler P. Towne, Timothy Hastings,
 Daniel Grout.

for Surveyors of Highways

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who were all Sworn in open town meeting to the faithful discharge of the duties of their office by the town clerk, excepting, Peter Estes, Ayers Mason and Asa Bartlett, who were excused by the town from serving in said office, and William Holt and Humphrey Bean

- 30th Made choice of Jesse Cross and Jonathan Abbot for Surveyors of lumber.

- 31st Voted that the Highway Surveyors be field drivers & Fence viewers.
- 32nd Made choice of William Frye, Charles Frost & Thomas Roberts for Superintending School-Committee.
- 33rd Voted to pass for the present, from the twelfth article in the warrant, to those articles, which relate to the division of school districts.
- 34th Voted to set off the persons mentioned in the twenty first article of the foregoing warrant, from school district numbered eleven, as therein expressed.
- 35th Voted that the inhabitants and their estates, belonging to school-district numbered five, being between Daniel Gage's and Elihue Bean's, and including the said Gage and Bean & their estates, be separated from said district and be made and known as a new school-district; the inhabitants of the said new district relinquishing all claim to the present school house excepting the stove.
- 36th Made choice of the following presons for School-Agents.
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| Benjamin Estes, | Jonathan A. Russell, |
| Otis Grover, | John Hastings, |
| Sumner Stearns, | Isaac Cross |
| James Walker, | Humphrey Bean, |
| Joel Howe, | Eli Grover Jun ^r |
| Edmond Chapman, | Abner Brown, |
| John Merrill, | Abraham Bryant, |
| Timothy Barker, | Daniel O. Wight, |
| Nathaniel Swan J ^r | James A. S. Bartlett, |
| Amos Andrews, | Caleb Besbee, |

& Nathan Grover,

of whom Jonathan A. Russell, John Hastings, Isaac Cross, James Walker, Edmund Chapman, Abner Brown, John Merrill, Timothy Barker, Nathaniel Swan J^r, James A. S. Bartlett, Amos Andrews, were sworn, in open Town-meeting, to the faithful discharge of the duties of their offices, by the town clerk.

- 37th Voted to pass, for the present, from the thirteenth to the

Twenty third article in the warrant

38th

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- 38th Voted to pass over the twenty third article.
- 39th Made choice of John Hastings, Amos Gage, Jonathan Abbott, Eli Foster, and Thomas Frost for Tythingmen.
- 40th Voted to pass over the sixteenth article.
- 41th Voted to raise the sum of two thousand and five hundred dooars for the making & repairing of highways.
- 42nd Voted to raise as much money for the support of schools as is required by law.
- 43rd Voted that the Selectmen be vested with discsetionary powers for the repair of all bridges in town.
- 44th Voted to raise four hundred dollars for the support of pau-pers and to defray town-charges.
- 45th Voted to discontinue the road, leading from the river road near the school-house in Rueben B. Foster's district to Howard's Gore line.
- 46th Voted that Stephen Saunder's & others in Howard's Gore, mentioned in the twenty fourth article of the fore going warrant, be allowed to pay their money into the Adam Willis school-district and be allowed to send their scholars to schoo in said district.
- 47th Voted that the disposal of the town paupers be entrusted to the Selectmen.
- 48th Voted that the several teachers of schools furnish, to the superintending school-committee, at the close of their respective schools, a report of the number of their schol-

ars and the state of the school under their care, and also that blanks for said reports be furnished, by the superintending school committee, to the said several teachers, at the expense of the town.

49th Voted that the next September meeting be holden, at the old methodist meeting house, on the north side of the Andrscoggin river.

Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk

March 7, 1835. This day personally appeared Phineas Frost, Timothy Hastings and Jedediah Burbank and were sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office of selectmen of the town of Bethel for the year ensuing and also took the oath proscribed by law, as assessors for said town for the year ensuing, before the town-clerk. Attest. William Frye, Town Clerk

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March 16. 1835. This day personally appeared Otis Grover and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of school agent for the school district in which he lives, being the Grover hill district, so called before William Frye, Town Clerk

April 3. 1835. This day personally appeared Sumner Stearns and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of school agent for the school district in which he lives for the ensuing.

before William Frye Town Clerk.

April 10. 1835. This day personally appeared Daniel O. Wight and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of school-agent for the district in which he lives, for the year ensuing.

before William Frye, Town Clerk.

April 17. 1835. This day personally appeared Jeremiah Grover and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of field driver and fence viewers for the year ensuing.

before William Frye Town Clerk.

April 20. 1835. This day personally appeared Nathan Grover and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of school-agent for the district in which he now lives for the year ensuing before

William Frye, Town Clerk.

Aug^t 26. 1835. This day personally Daniel Grout and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of field-drivers and fence-viewers for the town of Bethel for the year ensuing before.

William Frye, Town Clerk.

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To Stephen Bartlett one of the constables of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine, to summon and notify the inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Methodist Meeting-house near Adam Willis' in said Bethel on Monday the 4th day of September instant, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting.
- 2^d To see if the town will accept a road laid to accommodate Samuel Bird & others.
- 3^d To see if the town will accept a road, laid to accommodate Elias Grover & others.

- 4th To see if the town will accept a road, laid to accommodate James Wilder.
- 5th To see if the town will accept a road, laid to accommodate Joseph Twitchell.
- 6th To see if the town will set off Amos Wheeler & Tilton B. Heath from Grover hill school-district to Peter Twitchell's school-district.
- 7th To see if the town will designate a place to hold their next meeting.
- 8th To act on any other business the town shall think proper when met.

Given under our hands this first day of September 1835.

(Signed)	Phin ^s Frost	} Selectmen of Bethel
	Timothy Hastings	
	Jed ^h Burbank	

A true copy of the original warrant.

Attest. William Frye Town-clerk.

Sept 1st 1835. By virtue of the within warrant to me directed I have notified the inhabitants qualified, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed.

(signed) Stephen Bartlett } Constable of Bethel

A true copy of the original return upon the foregoing warrant.

Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

September 14. 1835.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned, and, the meeting being opened by the town clerk,

1st Made choice of Moses Bartlett, Moderator to govern said meeting.

2nd Voted to accept the road, laid out on the petition of Samuel

Bird & others.

3^d Voted to accept the road, laid out on the petition of Elias Grover & others.

4th Voted to pass over the fourth article in the warrant.

5th Voted to accept the road, laid out on the petition of Joseph Twitchell

6th Voted to pass over the sixth article in the warrant.

7th Voted to hold the next town meeting at the new meeting house near Cap^t Timothy Hastings.

8th Voted to dissolve this meeting.

Moses Bartlett, Moderator.

Recorded by William Frye, Town Clerk.

To Caleb Rowe Constable of Bethel.

You are hereby required to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Bethel to meet at the Methodist meeting house, near Adam Willis' on monday the fourteenth day of the present month, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles viz:-

1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting.

2nd To see if the town will accept a peice of road, located on the petition of Ebenezer Bean and others.

3rd To transact any other business that is proper when met.

Bethel Sep^t 2. 1835.

(Signed) Timothy Hastings	} Selectmen
Jed ^h Burbank	
	of
	Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant.

Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

Oxford ss Sep^t 14. 1835. Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have summoned and notifications in two publice places in said Bethel seven days previous to this date, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned.

A true copy of the original return upon the foregoing warrant.

Attest William Frye. Town Clerk.

September 14. 1835.

Pursuant to the fore going warrant, the Inhabitants of Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned, and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk.

1st Made choice of Moses Bartlett, Moderator to govern said meeting.

2nd Voted to pass over the second article.

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3^d Voted to dissolve this meeting.

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Moses Bartlett Moderator

Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk.

To Stephen Bartlett, one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town, according to the Constitution to assemble at the Methodist meeting-house, near Adam Willis' in said Bethel, on monday the 14th day of Sep^t ins^t at tweleve o'clock at noon, to give in their votes for a Governor, for two Senators & one Representative in the next Legislature & a County Treasurer.

The Selectmen will be in session at said meeting-house on the morning of the election at 9 o'clock for the purpose of relieving credance of the qualifications of voters, whose names have not been put on the list of voters.

Given under our hands this first day of September 1835.

(Signed)

Phin ^s Frost	}	Selectmen
Timothy Hastings		of
Jed ^h Burbanks		Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant.

Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

Sept 1. 1835. By virtue of the within warrant to me directed I have notified & warned the inhabitants, qualified, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed.

(Signed) Stephen Bartlett } Constable
of
Bethel

A true copy of the original return upon the foregoing warrant
Attest William Frye. Town Clerk.

September 14. 1835.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the Inhabitants of Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned, and, the meeting being opened by the chairman of the Selectmen.

1st Voted that the votes for Governor, Senators & County Treasurer by all cast one ballot.

And they were cast as follows to wit:

For Governor } Robert P. Dunlap, one hundred & thirty seven.
William King, twenty five.

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For
Senators } Isaac Strickland, one hundred & thirty seven.
Jonathan Swift, one hundred thirty seven.
Ebenezer Poor, twenty four.
Daniel Bean, twenty four.

For
County Treasurer } Alanson Mellen, one hundred & thirty eight.
Thomas Clark, twenty three.

1st Balloting

For
Representative } Ebenezer Eames, seventy four.

William Frye, sixty nine.
 } Jonathan A. Russell, seven.
 } Timothy Hastings, three.

2nd Ballotting

} Ebenezer Eames, ninety three.
 } William Frye, fifty eight.
 } Ezra Twitchell, two.

and Ebenezer Eames was chosen.

Recorded by William Frye, Town Clerk.

Road, laid out on petition of Samuel Bird & others, August 31. 1835. Began at a stake 20 feet from the northeast corner of Samuel Bird's house in Bethel; & first run 79 Deg. west 114 rods to the town road, leading by John Bird's; 6 rods of said road being on Samuel Bird's land, 70 rods on Peter Ayers' land, & 38 rods on land of John Bird: said road 3 rods wide. No damage requested.

(Signed) Phin^s Frost } one of the Selectmen
 of Bethel

Eli Estes.

Eli Estes was appointed to help locate the Samuel Bird road by the Selectmen.

(Signed) Timothy Hastings }
 Jed^h Burbank } Selectmen of Bethel
 Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk.

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Road

Laid out on petition of Elias Grover & other, September 20 1835.

Commenced at a stake and stones on the County road, between Amos Wheeler's and Tilton B. Heath's houses: Thence run north 3 degrees east Thence North 4 degrees West

Thence north 10 degrees west
to the road a little north of Elias Grover's house.
Said road to be three rods wide.

(Signed) Timothy Hastings } Selectmen
Jed^h Burbank } of Bethel

Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk.
Road

Laid out on petition of Joseph Twitchell, Sep^t 1. 1835.
Began three rods east of the house of said Twitchell; first run
north 20 Deg; west to the northwest corner of said Twitchell's land,
thence run north 61 Deg; west 18 rods, thence north 76 Deg: west
30 rods, thence north 88 Deg: west 20 rods to the County road on
land of Daniel Grout, being 68 rods on said Grout's land to be a
bridle road.

(Signe) Phin^s Frost } Selectmen
Timothy Hastings } of
Bethel

Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk

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Annual Meeting March 7. 1836.

To Caleb Rowe, one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.
You are hereby required, in the name of the State of Maine, to
summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified to
vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Free Meeting House near
Cap^t Hastings* in said town, on Monday the seventh day of March
next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following
articles, viz:

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting.
2. To choose a Clerk for said Town.
3. To examine and allow accounts.

4. To choose three or more Selectmen.
5. To choose three or more Assessors.
6. To choose a Treasurer.
7. To raise money for the support of Schools.
8. To raise money to defray Town charges.
9. To raise money to repair Highways.
10. To choose Highway Surveyors.
11. To choose a Constable or Constables.
12. To choose two or more Fenceviewers.
13. To choose Field drivers.
14. To choose two or more Tythingmen.
15. To choose two or more Surveyors of lumber.
16. To see if the town will build a Pound.
17. To choose a Pound-keeper.
18. To see if the town will repair Bear River Bridge.
19. To see what method the town will take respecting the road near steep gully, so called, in said Town.
20. To see if the town will set off James Walker & others into a school district.
21. To see if the town will set off Jonathan A. Russell & others into a school district.
22. To see if the town will set Peter G. Smith to the fifteenth school district.
23. To transact any other business the Town shall think proper when met.

Given under our hands this 20th day of February 1836.

(Signed) Phineas Frost } Selectmen
 Timothy Hastings } of

A true copy of the original warrant. Bethel

Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

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Oxford ss. March 7. 1836. Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, to me directed, I have notified and summoned the Inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified as aforesaid to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned, by posting notifications thereof in three public within the town of Bethel, more than seven days prior to this date.

(Signed) Caleb Rowe.

} Constable
of said
Bethel

A true copy of the original return upone the foregoing warrant.
Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

March 7. 1836.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned, and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk.

1. Made choice of Phineas Frost for their Moderator to govern said meeting.
2. Voted to pass over the second Article to act on the third article.
7. Made choice of William Frye, Town Clerk, who was then and there sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of said office, before Robert A. Chapman Esq^r a Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Oxford.
3. Voted to allow Jedediah Burbank's account amounting to twenty four dollars & sixty seven cents \$24.67
4. Voted to allow Phineas Frost's account, amounting to twenty six dollars 26.00
5. Voted to allow Timothy Hastings account, amounting to twenty two dollars & fifty cents 22.50
6. Voted to allow Rev. Charles Frost's account amounting to six dollars & fifty cents 6.50
7. See choice of Town Clerk above.
8. Voted to have three Selectmen for the year ensuing.
9. Made choice of Phineas Frost, for the first, Timothy Hastings for the second, and John B. Mason for the third Selectman;

all of whom personally appeared, in open town meeting, and were sworn to the faithful and impartial

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discharge of the duties of said office before the Town Clerk.

10. Made choice of Phineas Frost, Timothy Hastings & John B. Mason, for Assessors: all of whom personally appeared, in open town meeting, and took the oath proscribed by law, to be taken for the performance of the duties of said office, before the Town Clerk.
11. Made choice of Ebenezer Eames Treasurer.
12. Voted to raise the sum, required by law, for the support of schools.
13. Voted to allow Edward Chapman, one dollar per week for the keeping of Betty Chapman, a town pauper, instead of the sum allowed him by the overseers of the Poor, for the year past.
14. Voted to raise the sum of six hundred dollars to defray
Town charges -- -- -- \$600.00
15. Voted that the value of labor, performed in opening roads in this town, blocked up by snow, shall be left to the judgment of the Surveyor of the district within which such labor may be done and that the amount shall be allowed on the next year's highway tax - and that the certificate of the Surveyor shall be a sufficient voucher of the performance and the value of said labor.
16. Voted to raise the sum of three thousand dollars for the repair of highways for the year ensuing \$3000.00
17. Made choice for Highway Surveyors of,
Benjamin Estes. David Holt.
William Goddard. Abraham Bryant

Eli Foster.
Humphrey Bean.
Peter G. Smith.
Elhanan Bartlett.
Hezekiah Moody.
Micaiah Blake.
Eli Estes.
Abner Brown.
Purkins Moulton.

Joseph Holt.
Elias M. Carter.
Jedediah Burbank.
Bartlett Hodsdon.
James Locke.
Eli Grover Jr.
Hiram Holt.
Hiram Twitchell
Eliazer Twitchell.

All of whom, excepting the said William Goddard, Eli Foster, Purkins Moulton and David Holt, personally appeared in open town meeting, and were sworn to the faithful performance of the duties of said office, before the Town Clerk.

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18. Voted to put up the collection of Taxes for the year ensuing to auction, and that the person, who bids it off be chosen Constable.
19. The collection of Taxes for the year ensuing was set up at auction and was struck to Aaron Cross, he being the lowest bidder, at two cents & three molls per centum.
20. Made choice of Aaron Cross, Constable, and voted to accept of Aaron Mason, Nathan Grover and Moses L. Cross, as his sureties.
21. Chose William P. Frost, Constable.
22. Voted that there be a Fence Viewer in each Highway District and that the Highway Surveyors be Fence Viewers.
23. Voted the Highway Surveyors be Field-Drivers.
24. Voted to have three Tythingmen and made choice of John Stevens, Moses Bartlett and John Hastings for said Tythingmen.
25. Voted to have four Surveyors of lumber and made choice of Daniel O. Wight, Jesse Cross, Seth B. Newell and Spencer

- Drake, for Surveyors of lumber.
26. Voted to have one more Surveyor of lumber and made choice of Jonathan Abbot, Survey of lumber.
 27. Voted not to build a Pound.
 28. Voted to pass over the seventeenth (17th) article in this warrant.
 29. Voted to leave the subject, mentioned in the eighteenth (18th) article to the discretion of the Selectmen.
 30. Voted that the subject, mentioned in the nineteenth (19th) article be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.
 31. Voted to set off Lots numbered 13 · 14 · 15 & 16 in the first range, 11 · 12 · 13 · 14 · 15 & 16 in the 2^d range, 11 · 12 · 13 · 14 · 15 & 16 in the 3^d range, 14 · 15 & 16 in the 4th range and 15 & 16 in the 5th range, in said Bethel, together with the inhabitants thereon, agree able to the petition of James Walker & others, into a separate school-district.
 32. Voted to pass over the twenty first (21st) article and give the petitioners, viz: Jonathan A. Russell, Timothy Capan, Aaron Abbot, David Foffin, Caleb Coffin, John Russell, John Russell Jr. Eleazer Twitchell and Aaron Abbot Jr. their proportion of the school-money.
 33. Voted that Peter G. Smith be annexed to the fifteenth school district.

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34. Voted to allow Timothy Carter's account, amouting to two dollars and forty two cents \$ 2.42
35. Made choice of William Frye, Elias M. Carter and Moses Bartlett, Superintending School-Committee.
36. Voted that each school district choose its own School Agent.

Phineas Frost Moderator.
 Reocrded by William Frye. Town Clerk.

Town Meeting - March 7. 1836.

To Stephen Bartlett, one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine, to notify & warn the Inhabitants of the town of Bethel, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Free Meeting House, on the north side of the river near Cap^t Hastings; on Monday the seventh day of March next at four of the clock in the afternoon to act on the following Articles. viz.

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said Meeting.
 2. To see if the town will accept of a Road, laid out to convene Tilden Bartlett.
 3. To see if the town will accept of a road laid on petition of Hezekiah Moody & others.
 4. To see if the town will accept of a road laid to convene Joseph Twitchell.
 5. To see if the town will let Hezekiah Moody & others have their school-money to carry to Hamlin's Gore for schooling.
- Given under our hands this 26th day of February 1836.

(Signed) Phineas Frost
 Timothy Hastings

Selectmen
 of
 Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant.

Attest William Frye. Town Clerk.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned.

(Signed) Stephen Bartlett } Constable of
 Bethel

A true copy of the original return upon the

foregoing warrant.

Attest William Frye. Town Clerk.

March 7. 1836.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the Inhabitants of said Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned, and the meeting, having been opened by the Town Clerk,

1. Made choice of Phineas Frost, for their Moderator to govern said meeting.
2. Voted not to accept the road laid out to convene Tilden Bartlett.
3. Voted to accept the road laid out on the petition of Hezekiah Moody & others.
4. Voted to pass over the fourth (4th) article in the foregoing warrant.
5. Voted that Hezekiah Moody, Stephen Estes and Tilden Bartlett have their propostion of the school money and expend the same in the school district in Hamlin's Gore.

Phineas Frost, Moderator.

Recorded by William Frye, Town Clerk.

Road

Laid out on petition of Hezekiah Moody & others, November 10. 1836.

Commencing on Bethel town line on Lot No 5 in the first range of Lots, two rods west of the line, between Silvanus Bartlett's and Robert Bean's in Hamlin's Gore, First run North 31 Degrees west 110 rods to the old road near the Isaac Estes' house, so called - Said piece of road to be 3 rods wide.

(Signed)	Phineas Frost	}	Selectmen
	Timothy Hastings		of
			Bethel

A true copy of the original report, as made to and accepted by the town.

Attest William Frye. Town Clerk.

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March 29. 1836. Personally appeared William P. Frost and took the oath prescribed by law, as one of the Constables, within and for the Town of Bethel for the year ensuing.

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Limitations of Companies of Militia.

To the Clerk of the Town of Bethel.

Agreeable to an Act to organize, govern and discipline the Militia of this State passed March 5th 1836 - we hereby define the limits of the two companies of Infantry in the Town of Bethel.

The lower or east company, so called commandeered by Cap^t Moses Bartlett, is bounded East, past by the line of Rumford and past by the line of No 2, so called South past by the line of Hamlin's Gore & past by Greenwood line - west by the parish line - and north partly by Newry line and partly by Howard's Gore line.

The upper or west Company, so called, commanded by Cap^t John Harris is bounded East by the Parish line South past by Greenwood & past by Albany lines - westley the Academy Land - Gilead - North by the line of Newry.

Selectmen's office April 28. 1836.

(Signed) Phin ^s Frost	} Selectmen
Timothy Hastings	
John B. Mason	
	of
	Bethel

A true copy of the original.

Attest William Frye. Town Clerk.

Alterations of the Lower Company of Infantry in the Town of Bethel

The following is the limits of said Company as follows Viz Com-manded by Capt W^m Godard bounded on the East bart by Rumford and

part by Milton Plantation South part by the line of Hamlin's Gore
and by Greenwood line West by the Parrish line North partly by
Newry line & partly by Hanover line.

Selectmen Office Aug 22 AD 1843

(Signed) W^m Goddard } Selectmen
N. Grover } of
Bethel

A true copy Attest

of the Original

Eliphaz C. Bean Town Clerk

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Town meeting.

To William P. Frost, one of the Constables of the town of Bethel.

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
summon and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote
in town affairs to assemble at the centre meeting-house at the
middle Intervale in said town on Monday the twelfth day of Sept-
ember next at the clock in the forenoon to act on the following
Articles viz;

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting.
2. To see what method the town will take to repair certain
pieces of roads, one in A. Bryant's district, one in Cap^t H. Moody's
district and Elias Grover's.
3. To see if the town will accept a road laid to Luther Eames:
4. To see if the Town will accept a road, laid in Cap^t Moody's
neighborhood.
5. To see if the Town will accept a road laid on petition of
Elias Grover & others.
6. To see if the Town is willing that the Plantation, called
Hamlin's Gore should be annexed to the town of Bethel.
7. To transact any other business the Town may think proper
when met.

Given under our hands this 27th day of August 1836.

Phin^S Frost Selectmen
 Timothy Hastings of
 Bethel

Sep: 2nd 1836. Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified the Inhabitants of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed, by posting up notifications as the law directs. W^m P. Frost, Constable of Bethel.

The fore going are true copies of the original warrant and the return therein. Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

September 12. 1836.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned, and, the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk.

1. Made choice of Moses Mason J^r, Moderator to govern said meeting.
2. Voted that James Walker be agent to repair the several pieces of roads mentioned in the second Article in the foregoing warrant, discretionaily.
3. Voted to accept the road laid out, by the Selectmen, to Luther Eames.

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4. Voted to accept the road, laid out by the selectmen, in H. Moody's district.
5. Voted to accept the road, laid out, by the Selectmen on the petition of #Elias Grover & others.
6. Voted that the Town is not willing that the Plantation, called Hamlin's Gore, should be annexed to the town of Bethel.
7. Voted to accept the following names, as jurors, and the Jury Box be revised with the same, which was done, viz:-

Seth B. Newell.

Elhanan Bartlett.

Thaddeus Twitchell.
 Timothy Chapman.
 Timothy Hastings.
 John B. Mason.
 Norman Clark.
 George W. Grover.
 Humphrey Bean.
 John Hastings.
 Bezaleel Kendall.
 Robbins Brown.
 Elenezer Eames.
 Micaiah Blake.
 Timothy Barker.
 Ephraim Powers.
 Jedediah Burbank.

Joseph Holt.
 Leander Jewett.
 Robert A. Chapman.
 James Walker.
 William P. Frost.
 Israel Kimball.
 Moses Bartlett.
 Aaron Willis.
 John Sanborn.
 Jonathan A. Russell.
 Elias M. Carter.
 Ball Bartlett.
 Barbour Bartlett.
 Phineas Frost.
 Joel Howe.

8. Voted that the Selectmen act discretionanily with regard to William W. Grover, a town pauper.
9. Voted to allow Hiram Holt's account, being \$14.00
10. Voted to adjourn this meeting without day.

Moses Mason J^r. Moderator.

Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk.

Instead of Elias Grover, the record should be of James Mills & others.

Attest, William Frye. Town Clerk.

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Annual Election Meeting

To William P. Frost, one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and summon the Inhabitants of said Town, qualified according to the Constitution, to assemble at the Middle Intervale Meeting House in said Town, on Monday, the twelfth day of Septem-

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For Representative } Timothy J. Carter, one hundred & ninty two.
 to Congress } Oliver Herrick, forty.
 } Alvin Bolster, three.

For County Treasurer } Alanson Mellen, one hundred & ninty six.

For Register of Deeds } Alanson Mellen, one hundred, ninty six.

2nd - 1st Ballot.

For Representative } Elenezer Eames, one hundred & ten
 to the Legislature } William Frye, sixty
 } Phineas Frost, seventy

2nd } Elenezer Eames, one hundred & tweleve.
 } William Frye, sixty nine.
 } Phineas Frost, sixty six.

3^d Ballot. } Elenezer Eames, one hundred & ten.
 } William Frye, sixty four.
 } Phineas Frost, sixty five.

4th Ballot. } Elenezer Eames, one hundred & nineteen.
 } William Frye, fifty eight.
 } Phineas Frost, sixty eight.

5th Ballot } Elenezer Eames, one hundred & thirty six.
 } Phineas Frost, ninty eight.

And the said Eames, having a majority of the votes given in,
 was declared duly elected.

Recorded by William Frye. Town Clerk.

Roads

Location of a road on the petition of James Mills & others.

After giving notice to the Petitioners, begun at the County
 road, leading from Gilead to Albany, near the crotch of the road,
 where the road leading to Mason's Mills leaves said road-run
 south eighteen and a half degrees east, sixty nine rods, thence
 south four degrees east thirty seven rods, then south three degrees
 east one hundred and one rods to Albany line, on land owned by

Hollira Greenwood. We understand no damage. Road surveyed by John B. Mason and Elias Grover by request of selectmen.

(Signed) John B. Mason, Selectman of Bethel.

Sep. 5, 1836. Elias Grover,

A true copy of the original report as made to and accepted by the town.

Attest, William Frye. Town Clerk.

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Road.

Agreeable to a petition from Luther Eames & others to lay a road to convene said Eames, after notifying the persons interested, met at the house of said Eames. Begun three rods east of the house of said Eames in his door-year- first run south 9 degrees east 20 rods then south 35 degrees east, 46 rods then south 1 Degree east 27 rods - then south 23 Degrees east 26 rods - then south 29 Degrees east 24 rods - then south 8 Degrees east 28 rods - then south 49 Degrees east 60 rods - then south 57 Degrees east 18 rods then South 89 Degrees east 35 rods to the county road near Elenezer Eames in Bethel - Said road to be a Briddle road - 86 rods of said road is on land of said Luther Eames - 50 rods of said road on land of James Locke - 50 rods on land of Charles R. Locke - about 98 rods on Elenezer Eames' land. We understand no damage.

	Phin ^s Frost	}	Selectmen
(Signed)	Timothy Hastings		of
			Bethel

The above is a true copy of the original repoart as made to & accepted by the town.

Attest, William Frye. Town Clerk.

Road.

August 1836. Agreeable to a petition from Tilden Bartlett & others

for a road.

1st Begun in the old road, leading from Capt. Hezekiah Moddy's to John Estes 2nd's, in said Moody's west field, and 1st, run North 80 degrees West 34 rods, thence north 47 degrees West 33 rods, thence North 28 degrees West 24 rods, thence north 46 degrees West 59 rods, Thence north 62 degrees west 13 rods-thence north 57 degrees west 20 rods - thence north 42 degrees west 38 rods - thence north 20 degrees West 10 rods-thence north 18 degrees west 50 rods to the old road leading from John Estes 2nd's to Eli Estes' in said Bethel John Estes 2^d assisted in running said road with Phineas Frost by the request of the Selectmen.

(Signed)

Phin^s Frost
Timothy Hastings

Selectmen
of
Bethel

The foregoing is a true record of the original report as made to and by the town.

Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

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Presidential Electoral Meeting.

To Aaron Cross, one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.

You are hereby required, in the name of the State of Maine, to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel, qualified according to the constitution, to assemble at the meeting-house in the West Parish near Bethel Hill, on Monday, the seventh day of November next, at one of the clock in the afternoon to give in their votes to give in their votes for Electors of President & Vice-President.

And further to see if the town will vote to pass the resolves, introduced by Doct. John Grover in their last September meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty fourth day of October, eighteen hundred and thirty six.

(Signed) Phin^S Frost } Selectmen of
Timothy Hastings } Bethel

Oxford ss: Nov: 7. 1836. Pursuant to the within warrant from the Selectmen of the town of Bethel, to me directed, I have notified & warned the Inhabitants of said town, to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting up notifications before the time of said meeting.

(Signed) Aaron Cross. Constable of Bethel.

The foregoing are true copies of the original warrant & the return thereof.

Attest. William Frye. Town Clerk.

November 7th 1836. Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the Inhabitants of Bethel, qualified as therein expressed, met at the time and place therein mentioned and, the meeting being opened by the chairman of the Selectmen, gave in their votes for the Electors of President & Vice-President of the United States, as follows viz:

Joseph Tobin had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

Sheldon Hobbs had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

Benjamin Burgess had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

Reuel Williams had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

Samuel S. Hagan had one hundred and twenty nine votes.

John Hamblet had one hundred and twenty nine votes.

Shephard Casy had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

Jonathan Smith.

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Jonathan Smith had one hundred and twenty nine votes.

William Thompson had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

John H. Jarvis had one hundred & twenty nine votes.

Ellis B. Usher had twenty eight votes.

Levi Cutter had twenty eight votes.

George French had twenty eight votes.
 Elenezer Farley had twenty eight votes.
 Joseph H. Underwood had twenty eight votes.
 John Moore had twenty eight votes.
 Joseph H. Estabrook had twenty eight votes.
 Henry Call had twenty eight votes.
 Otis Little had twenty eight votes.
 Lorenzo Sabine had twenty eight votes.

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Annual Town Meeting March 6 1837

Mr. Aaron Cross one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel
 you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify
 and warn the inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote in Town affairs
 to assemble at the free Meeting House in the East Parish of said
 Town near Benj^a Goodinought's House on Monday the sixth day of
 March next at ten of the Oclock in the forenoon to act on the
 following articles viz

1. To choose a Moderator to govern Said Meeting.
2. To choose a Clerk for said Town
3. To choose three or more Selectmen
4. To choose three or more Assessors
5. To choose a Treasurer
6. To choose a Colector or Collectors
7. To choose one or more Constables
8. To choose Highway Surveyors nessessary
9. To choose one or more Surveyors of Lumber
10. To choose Fenceviewers
11. To choose Fieldddrivers
12. To choose one or more Pound keepers
13. To See if the Town will select one or more barn yards in
 said Town for their legal pounds

14. To choose two or more Tythingmen
15. To choose three or more Superintending School Committee
16. To choose District School Agents
17. To choose an Agent for said Town
18. To choose all other Town officers required by law
19. To Raise money to defray Town Charges
20. To Raise money for the suport of Schools
21. To Raise money for the repair of Highway
22. To See what method the Town will take to make safe Bare River Sunday River & Plesent River Bridges
23. To See what method the Town will take to suport the Poor
24. To See if the Town will vote to make a School District agreeable to a petition from Jonathan A. Russell & Others
25. To See if the Town will make a School District agreeable to a petition from Timothy Carter & Others
26. To See if the Town will vote Joel Howe & Suel Lane their School money to Schol it in Howards Gore
27. To See if the Town will vote Tilton B. Heath & Joseph Heath Estates to Peter Twitchell School District

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28. To See if the Town will vote Thomas Goss & Estate to Eli Foster's School District
29. To See if the Town will accept a Road laid to Eliphas Powers
30. To See the Town will accept of an alteration in the Road leading to Capt William Andrews
31. To See if the Town will except of a Road lade to Alva Wheeler
32. To Receive & allow accounts
33. To Transact any other buisness the Town may think proper when met

The assessors will be in Session on the morning of said meeting at nine of the Oclock at Said meting house for the purpose of

Receiving evidence of the qualifications of voters whose names
have not ben in Roled in the list of voters
Given under our hands at Said Bethel this twenty third day of
Februry eighteen hundred & thirty Seven

(Signed) Phineas Frost } Selectmen
John B. Mason } of
Timothy Hastings } Bethel

A true Copy of the original warrant

Attest Elis M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 6 1837 Pursuant to the following warrant to me
directed I have notified and summoned the Inhabitants of Said Bethel
qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place
and for the purposes therein set forth by, posting, notices thereof
in three public places in said Bethel more than seven days privious
to this date

(Signed) Aaron Cross { Constable of Said Bethel

A true Copy of the original return upon the foregoing warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Carter

March 6 1837

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel
qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time & place therein
mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk pro-
ceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Phineas Frost Moderator to govern said meeting
2. Voted to adjourn this meeting thirty minutes
3. Met according to adjournment

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4. Made choice of Elias M. Carter Town Clerk - who was then and
there sworn to the fathfull and impartiall discharge of the duties
of the office before William Frye Esq^r a Justice of the Piece
within and for the County of Oxford

5. Made choice of Phineas Frost for the first John B. Mason for the second and Edmund Merrill for the third selectmen, all of whom personally appeared in open town meeting and were sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of said office before William Frye Esq^r.
6. Made choice of Phineas Frost John B. Mason & Edmund Merrill Assessors: All of whom personally appeared in open town meeting and took the oath prescribed by Law to be taken for the preformance of the duties of said office before William Frye Esq^r.
7. Made choice of Ebenezer Eames Treasurer
8. Voted to set up the Collection of the taxes for the year ensuing (in each Parish seperately) at auction and the persons that bids it off be chosen Constables
9. Voted to set up the lower Parish first
10. The collection of the Taxes for the lower Parish was set up for the ensuing year at auction and was struck off to James C Bean he being the lowest bidder for two & three quarter cents per centum
11. The collection of the taxes for the upper Parish for the ensuing year was set up at auction, and was struck to Aaron Cross he being the lowest bidder for three cents four mills per centum
12. Voted to accept of Jesse Cross Moses T Cross Seth White & Nathan Grover for Aaron Cross' Surities
13. Voted to pass over Arts 6 & 7 and take up the 8th
14. Voted to begin in lower District on the north Side of the River to chose Highway Surveyors
15. Made choice of Ruben B. Foster Barber Willis
 Timothy Hastings J^r Jediah T. Kimball
 Thadeus Twitchell John Sanbourn
 Seth B Newel Moses Barker
 William Goddard John S Swan
 James Estes Micaiah Blake
 Edmund Bean Eli Grover J^r
 Abraham Jourdan Isaac C Cross
 William Holt Bartlett Hodgdon

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John B Mason

Tilton B Heath

Ephriam C Bartlett

Ayers Mason

Amos Andrew

Stephen Estes

Baxter A Lyon

Benjamin Estes

All of those excepting the said Seth B Newell William Holt Ayers Mason Amos Andrews & Benjamin Estes personally appeared in open town meeting and were sworn to the faithful performance of the duties of Said office before Wim Frye Esq^r. Personally appeared Benjamin Estes in open town meeting and was sworn to the faithful prepormance of the duties of Said office before the Town Clerk

16. Voted to take up the 6 Article
17. Voted to set up the collection of the Taxes in the lower Parish for the ensuing year at auction again
18. The collection of the taxes for the ensuing year of the lower Parish was set up at auction and was struck to William P Frost he being the lowest bidder at four cents per centum
19. Made choice for Surveyors of Lumber of

Jonathan Abbot	Bezaleel Kendall
Jesse Cross	Aaron M York
Eli Grover J ^r .	Seth B Newell
20. Voted that the Highway Surveyers be Fenceviewers
21. Voted that the the Highway Surveryers be Fielddrivers
22. Voted that the Selectmen be Poundkeepers
23. Voted that the Selectmen's Barn yards be Pounds
24. Made choice of Gilman Chapman and Eli Foster for Tythingmen
25. Made choice of Charles Frost Benjamin Dunham & Thomas Roberts Supertinding School Committee
26. Voted to set up the collection of the Taxes in the lower Parish at auction again
27. The collection of the Taxes was set up for the ensuing year for the lower Parish at auction and was struck to Stephen Bartlette he being the lowest bidder at three cents nine Mills per centum: and he produced Barber Bartlette & George Chapman as his Surities
28. Voted to autherise each School District to Chose their own

Agents

29. Made choice of Phineas Frost Town Agent

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30. Made choice of Gilman Chapman Surveyor of wood
31. Voted to pass over from the 19 Art and take up the 32 Art
32. Voted to allow Eben^r Eames' account against the town being
33. Voted to allow Phineas Frost's account against the Town being 29.50
34. Voted to allow Tim^v Hastings acct against the Town being 23.25
35. Voted to allow John B Mason's account against the Town being 20.59
36. Voted to allow James Walker's account against the Town being 4.50
37. Voted to allow William P. Frost's account against the Town being 1.00
38. Voted to allow Phineas Frost's account against the Town being 14.03
39. Voted to leave Jotham S Lane's account in the hands of the Selectmen
40. Voted to leave James Hodgdon's account in the hands of the Selectmen
41. Voted to leave all other accounts in the hands of the Selectmen
42. Made choice of Aaron Cross & Stephen Bartlett Constables
43. Voted to pass over the 19 Art and take up the 23
44. Voted to set up the Poor of the Town at auction, and to be struck to the lowest bidder excepting Betsey Chapman
45. Bezaleel Kendall had S Farwell's child struck to him he being the lowest bidder at twelve dollars fifty cents for one year 12.50

William Farwell had William W Grover struck to him he being the lowest bidder at ninety five dollars for one year 95.00

Bela Williams had Isaac Frost struck to him he being the lowest bidder at fifty nine dollars for one year 59.00

46. Voted to leave the remainder of the Poor in the hands of the Overseer of the same
47. Voted to raise the sum of six hundred dollars to defray
Town charges 600,00
48. Voted to raise the sum required by by law for the support of schools
49. Voted to raise the sum of three Thousand dollars for the repair of highways for the year ensuing 3000,00
- 50 Voted to receive bondsmens of those that bid off the Poor
Bezaleel Kendall Produced Alpheus Swan Bela Williams Produced
Aaron Mason & Stephan Bartlett William Farwell Produced
David Sanbourn and they were accepted

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51. Voted that the repairs of Bare River Sunday River & Pleasant River Bridges be left in the hands of the Selectmen
52. Voted to refer the 24 Art to the next Town Meeting
53. Voted to refer the 25 Art to the next Town Meeting
54. Voted that Joel Howe & Jotham S Lane have their share of the School to carry to Howards Gore School for the ensuing year
55. Voted that Tilton B Heath & Joseph Heath and their estates be set on to Peter Twitchell School District
56. Voted that Thomas Goss & Estate be set on to Eli Foster's School District
57. Voted to accept a Road laid to Ephriam Power's
58. Voted to accept an alterative in the Road laid to William Andrews
59. Voted to accept a Road laid to Aha Wheeler
60. Voted to adjourn with out date

Phineas Frost Moderator

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Bethel Oct 1st 1836

Road Survey by John B Mason and Elias Grover on Petition of Alvah Wheeler and others

Begun at the main road at a stake south of Frances Upton's house run south seventy three degrees west thirty one rods to a bridge on land owned by said Upton then south sixty seven degrees west seven rods then south seventy four degrees west forty two rods then south eighty eight to a half degrees west thirty eight rods then south eighty six degrees west fifteen rods then south seventy nine degrees west eighteen rods then south seventy five degrees west twenty rods then south eighty five to a half degrees west one hundred and eighteen rods to said Alvah Wheelers house on land owned and occupied by Alvah Wheeler and Daniel Wheeler save the first mentioned thirty one rods and understand no damage

(Signed) John B Mason { one of the
Selectmen

I certify that I made the (Appointed by
above survey Elias Grover Elias Grover) Selectmen

The foregoing is a true record of the original Report as made to and excepted by the Town

Elias M Carter Town Clerk

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Road

Agreeable to a Petition from Eliphas Powers & others to lay a Road to convey said Powers & others a short piece of road leading from the County road near the School house in Eli Fosters School District

First began at Eliphas Power house 2 rods East first run South 38 D^r West 32 rods to a hamlock Tree, then south 79 D^r West 21 rods to the road leading to Cap^t W^m Andrews said road to be 3

rods wide

then began about 6 rods south of the road leading to Cap^t W^m Andrews on the County road, first run East 17 rods then south 72 D^r east 9 rods then south 45 D^r East 14 rods then south 43 D^r East 25 rods to the Andrews road near where the Eliphas Powers road bearing close under the whales back so called

(Signed) Phineas Frost

{ one of the
Selectmen
of Bethel

{ appointed by
the Selectmen

Nov 1836

The foregoing is a true record of the original report as made to and excepted by the town

Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 27 1837 Personally appeared Jonathan Abbot and was sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of surveyor of lumber for the year ensuing according to his best skill and judgement Before the

Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 27 Personally appeared William Holt and was sworn to the faithfull and imparlial discharge of the duties of the several offices of Highway Surveyor Field driver and Fence-viewers within the town of Bethel for the year ensuing according to his skill and judgement before me

Elias M Carter Justice of the Peace

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Town Meeting

To Aaron Cross one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel Greeting
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to

notify and warn the Inhabitants of the town of Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the meeting house in Bethel near D^r Timothy Carter's on thursday the thirtieth day of March Inst at one of the Oclock PM. to act on the following articles (Viz)

1. To Choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
2. To see if the Town will vote to receive its proportion of the Surplus revenue
3. To choose an agent to receive from the State Treasurer the said proportion of Surplus revenue
4. To see what disposition the town will make of said money
5. To See if the town will make a school Distirct agreeable to the petition of P A Russell & others
6. To See if the town will make a school District agreeably to the petition of Timothy Carter and others
7. To act on any other business which may properly come before said meeting

Given under our hand this twenty first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven Pin^s Frost

(Signed)

Edmund Merrill

{ Selectmen
of
Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Bethel March 30 1837

Oxford ss Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the town of Bethel to meet at the time & place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed) Aaron Cross Constable of Bethel

A true copy of the return on the above warrant

Attest Elias M Carter Town Clerk

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Pusuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel

qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Phineas Frost Moderator
2. Voted to have the Act Read
3. Voted that this town will receive its proportion of the money which is or may be deposited with this State by the United States in pursuante of an Act to regulate the deposite of the public money on the condition specified in the Act of this State entitled an Act providing for the apportioned to the State of Maine on deposite by the Government of the United States.
4. Voted to choose the Agent by hand vote
5. Voted that Ebenezer Eames be and hereby is appointed the Agent of this Town to demand and receive from the Treasurer of this State the proportion of said money belonging to said Town. And the said Ebenezer Eames is authorized to sign a receipt therefor conformably to the requirements of said Act of this State which shall be obligatory upon this town
6. Voted to have the (18) section of the Act read
7. Voted to choose a Committee of three to manage said money
8. Voted to choose three by ballot
9. Voted to choose one at a time
10. Made choice of Ebenezer Eames for the first Jedediah Burbank for the second & Nathan Grover for the third committee
11. Voted to pass the following Resolve
Resolved. That the board of three for taking charge of and loaning the Towns porportion of the Surplus revenue shall give satisfactory bonds to the Town for the faithfull performance of their duty that they shall not loan to themselves nor use any portion of said money
12. Jedediah Burbank produced John Hastings Robert A Chapman & Robins Brown as his Surities and they were accepted

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13. Voted to pass the following Resolves

Resolved. That the proportion of the Surplus Revenue to be received by this Town, be loaned to the Inhabitants thereof in Sums of not less than twenty five dollars nor over one hundred dollars to any one individual at the rate of six percent interest and for the repayment of which to the Town the year on receiving the same shall give his negotiable note of hand, payable to the Inhabitants of Bethel on demand with interest annually secured by a good & sufficient surity or surities at the discretion of those who shall have the care and management of the said money Provided nevertheless that the payment of the principal of note so given shall be required within a less time than one year from the date thereof unless the Town shall be sooner called upon for repayment of the same to the State or unless there shall be just grounds to fear that the safety of the same would be endangered by delay Resolved further - That no individual shall be entitled to a second loan of any of said money either directly or indirectly untill after all new applications there for shall have been complied with nor untill after the expiration of thirty days from the time that the same might or ought to have been in readiness to loan

14. Voted to pass the following Resolve

Resolved. That it shall be the duty of the board of three to make a full report to the Town of their doings and the condition of the surplus revenue fund, and give up all their papers and trust in relation to said fund at the annual meeting in March or as soon as others shall be chosen in their stead. And said board shall receive for their services a reasonable compensation

15. Nathan Grover introduced Samuel Barker Charles Russell & George W Grover as his Surities and they were accepted

16. Voted to make a School district agreeable to the Petition of Jonathan A Russell & others

17. Voted to make a School district agreeable to the Petition of

Timothy Carter & others

Phineas Frost Moderator

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

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Town Meeting April 8th 1837

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Agreeable to a petition from Joel Howe and nineteen others
 To Stephen Bartlett one of the Constables for the Town of Bethel
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to warn
 the Inhabitants of the Town of Bethel to meet at the center Me-
 eting House in Said Bethel on saturday the eighth day of April
 Inst at ten Oclock in the forenoon of said day to act on the
 following articles (viz)

1. To choose a Moderator to Govern Said Meeting
- 2nd. To see if the Town will reconsider the votes cast at the
 last Town meeting in regard to the distribution of the
 Portion of the Surplus revenue which falls to this Town
- 3rd. To see if the Town will vote that said money shall be dis-
 tributed to the heads of families according to the population
 - Provided responsible men shall give bonds to the Town for
 all losses which may be sustained by the Town said Town to
 take every man's note running at two per cent interest said
 interest to go to said bondsmen as their compensation for
 indemnifying said Town, to be collected by them the said
 bondsmen.
- 4th. Provided however that if the Town will not vote to distribute
 to the whole Town on the consitions specified in the second
 and third articles of this warrant to see if the Town will
 vote to let the East Parrish of Bethel have their share of
 said money by their giving bonds as specified in the third
 article of this warrant
- 5th. To act on any other business which may legally come before

Said meeting

Given under our hands this first day of April one thousand Eight hundred and thirty seven

(Signed) Phin^S Frost } Selectmen of
Edmund Merrill } Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I notified the Inhabitants of said Town to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed)

Stephen Bartlett Constable of Bethel

April 1st 1837

A true copy of the original warrant and return thereon

Attest Elias M Carter Town Clerk

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⁴⁶Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in Town affairs met at the time & place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business &

1. Made choice of James Walker moderator
2. Voted to resolve into a Committy of the whole
3. Voted to excuse Jedediah Burbank from serving as one of the Committy to manage the surplus Revenue
4. Voted to reconside the votes Cast at the last meeting relitive to the distrabution of the Town's portion of the Surplus Revenue
5. Voted to pass the 3th article
6. Voted to pass over the 4th article
7. Voted to reconsider the vote whereby they voted to pass the 3th article
8. Voted to pass over the 3th article
9. Voted to dissolve this meeting

James Walker Moderator

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss April 1 1837 Personally appeared Stephen Bartlett and took the oaths prescribed by Law as one of the Constable and Collector within and for the Town of Bethel for the year ensuing before the Town Clerk

Town Meeting April 24 1837

Agreeable to a petition from John Grover & eleven others for calling a Town Meeting

To Stephen Bartlett one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify,
and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town
affairs to assemble at the Middle Intervale meeting house on Monday
the twenty fourth day of April Instant at ten of the clock in the
forenoon to act on the following articles (viz)

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said Meeting
- 2nd To see if what disposition the Town will make of the Surplus revenue fund belonging to said Town
- 3rd To see if the Town will request the Trustees of the Ministerial & School fund to render a full statement of the Situation of said funds and there doings

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- 4th To See what further causes the Town will direct respecting
respecting said Trustees & funds
- 5th To act on any other matters the town may think proper when
met

Given under our hands this 8th day of April 1837

(Signed) Phin^S Frost { Selectmen
Edmund Merrill { of
Bethel

Pursuant to the within warrant I notified the Inhabitants of said

Town to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned more than seven days prior to this date

(Signed) Stephen Bartlett { Constable of Bethel
Bethel April 24th 1837

A true Copy of the original warrant and return thereon

Attest Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned, and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of James Walker Moderator
2. Voted to let the Resolve introduced by W^m Frye lay on the table
3. Voted to let the Resolve introduced by John Grover lay on the table untill the resolve last introduced be acted upon
4. Voted to choose a committee to take the resolves that have been introduced and draft a new one
5. Voted to hahe the committee appointed by the chair
6. The chaire appointed W^m Frye John Grover Edmund Chapman Phineas Frost & Timothy Hastings said Committee
7. Voted to adjourn this meeting thirty minutes
8. Met according to adjournment
9. Voted to accept the following Resolve introduced by the committee

Resolved that this Towns share of the publick money recieved or recievable from this State in deposit shall be deposited in the Town Treasury and the Treasurer with the assistance of the Selectmen and Town Clerk shall apportion according to the census and loan said money to each Inhabitant twenty one

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year of age and over, at six per cent annual interest the

first years interest to be taken out when the money is delivered the heads of families to recieve and be accountable for the minors in their families Notes to be taken for the money on demand, but the repayment of Said money shall not be requested nor demanded untill the first day of May 1839 unless the State shall sooner call upon the Town for the repayment for the same and provided the deposited & loaned money shall not be endangered by delay. That all of said money remaining in the Treasury three months after the first day of May in every year shall be loded by the Treasurer on good security at six per cent at the disposal of the Town

10. Voted to pass over the third article
11. Voted the Selectmen look after the Trustees & Funds
12. Voted that the interest left in the Treasurers' hands be apprescriated to pay orders lying against the Town
13. Voted that this meeting be dissolved

James Walker Moderator

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Town Meeting July 11 1837

Agreeable to a petition from thirteen of the Inhabitants of Bethel for a town meeting

To Aaron Cross one of the Constables of the town of Bethel You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summons and notify the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the meeting house in the west parish on the south side of the River on the eleventh day of July next at one of the clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
2. To see what disposition the Town will make of that part of the Surplus Revenue money which is now remaining in the hands of the Treasurer not paid out agreeable to the resolve of the last Town meeting

3. To transact any other business which may legally come before
Said meeting

Given under our hands this twenty ninth day of June AD 1837

(Signed)

John B Mason
Edmond Merrill

} Selectmen
of
Bethel

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A true Copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss July 11^d 1837 Pursuant to the within warrant to me
directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town
of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within
mentioned

(Signed) Aaron Cross { Constable of Bethel

A true copy of the return on the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel
qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein
mentioned and the meeting being opened by the town Clerk proceeded
to business and

1. Made choice of Reuben B Foster Moderator
2. Voted to have the names of the petitioners read and the
Treasurer answer whither they have or have not received their
money
3. Voted that the proceedings & doings had here tofore in regard
to this town's proportion of the Surplus Revinue money be so
altered and aminded so that each Inhabitant shall be en-
titled to receive his or her share on giving a responsible
receipt with a promis to repay the same whenever the town

shall be called on to repay the money to the state and all such as have given notes for Said money shall be entitled to receive there notes back by giving the safe and ample security herein mentioned

4. Voted to leave the Hodgdon Road and the Road from John S Swan's to J C Beans in the hands of the Selectmen
5. Voted to leave Harmon Holt's family in the hands of the Selectmen
6. Voted to consider every man's responsible receipt to be safe and ample security
7. Voted that the Agent be instructed to loan to the town so much of the money which may be left in the Treasury as the Trustees may direct
8. Voted that the next Town meeting be at the Middle Intervale
9. Voted to dissolve the meeting Reuben B Foster Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

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Annual Election Meeting

To Stephen Bartlett one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel-
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town qualified according to the Constitution to assemble at the Meeting House in Bethel near Timothy Carter's on the second monday of September next at eleven oclock in the forenoon to give in their votes

- 1st For Govenor for two Senators and for one Representative to the next Legislature and also for County Treasurer
2. To give in their votes on the question proposed by the resolve of the Legislature passed March 30th 1837 entitled a resolve to amend the Constitution relative to bail ---

Question Shall the proposed amendment be adopted

3. The Selectmen will be in session on the day of election at the place above named at nine Oclock AM to receive evid-

ences of the qualifications of voters whose names may have been omitted in the list of voters or erroneously inserted therein --

Given under our hands this twenty Sixth day of August A D 1837

	Edmond Merrill	}	Selectmen
(Signed)	Phin Frost		of
	John B. Mason		Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the within Warrant I notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned more than seven days prior to this meeting

Sep^t 11th 1837 Signed (Constable
Stephen Bartlett) of
(Bethel

A true copy of the return for the above warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified as therein expressed met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the chairman of the selectmen gave in their votes as follows (viz)

1. Voted not to call the list of voters

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2.

For Governor	{	Gorham Parks two hundred and five
		Edward Kent Sixty four

For Senators	}	Job Prince two hundred & six
		Edward L Osgood two hundred & six
		Stephen Chase Sixty three
		Benjamin Bradford Sixty three

Alanson Mellen two hundred & six
For County Treasurer Sewell Crockett sixty three

3. Phinehas Frost one hundred & sixty
For Representative Asa Kimball Seventy nine
to the Legislature Adam Willis twenty nine
John Grover two
Ja^S Twitchell one

and the said Frost having a majority of the votes given in
was declared duly elected

4. The Inhabitants gave their votes for and against the amend-
ment of the Constitution of this State as follows
Yes thirty five and no one hundred

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Town Meeting

To Stephen Bartlett one of the Constables of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
notify and summons the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to
vote in Town affairs at assemble at the Middle Intervale Meeting
house on monday the eleventh day of September next at three of
the clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles (viz)

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said Meeting
2. To see if the Town will instruct their Representative to
remonstrate aganist the petition of David Eliot to be set
off from the Town of Bethel and anexed to the Town of Rumford
3. To see what course the Town will direct to give Tilton
Bartlett a road
4. To see what method the Town will direct to give Gould Staf-
ford a Road

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5. To transact any other matters the Town may think proper

when met

Given under our hands at Bethel this 26th day of August
1837

(Signed) Phin^s Frost Selectmen
Edmond Merrill of
John B Mason Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the within warrant I notified the inhabitants of the
Town of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes
within mentioned more than seven days prior to this meeting

Sept 11th 1837

(Signed) Stephen Bartlett Constable
of
Bethel

A true copy of the return on the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Sep^t 11^d 1837

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Bethel quali-
fied as therein expressed met at the time and place therein mentioned
and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk

1. Made choice of John B Mason Moderator
2. Voted to instruct the Representative to remonstrate aganist
the petition David Eliot
3. Voted that M^r Besse be called on to make somestatemnts on
what conditions he will let M^r Bartlett have a road
4. Voted that the Selectmen go and lay M^r Bartlett a road and
apprise the damage
5. Voted to relinquish M^r Spofford's taxes if he will make his
own road on conditions the Selectmen can make a compremise
with Messers Benj^a Estes & Denis Cary for a road without any
damage
6. Voted to pass over the subject reletive to the School district
and let the selectmen get such advice and do as they see fit
about allowing each part their money

John B Mason Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Annual Meeting March 5 1838

To Aaron Cross one of the Constables of the town of Bethel.
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Free Meeting House in Bethel near the house of Benjamin Goodenough J^r on monday the fifth day of March next at ten O'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles (viz)

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting
2. To choose a Town Clerk
3. To choose 3 or more Selectmen
4. To choose 3 or more Assessors
5. To choose a Town Treasurer
6. To choose one or more Constables
7. To choose one or more Collectors
8. To choose Highway Surveyors
9. To choose Field Drivers
10. To choose a Superintending School Committee
11. To choose School District Agents
12. To choose Fence viewers
13. To choose one or more Pound Keepers
14. To choose one or more Surveyors of Lumber
15. To choose Tythingmen
16. To choose any other officers required by law
17. To see if the town will make a school district agreeable to the petition of Timothy Carter and others
18. To see if the town will make a School district agreeable to the petition of Jonathan A. Russell and others
19. To raise money to repair highways
20. To raise money to defray town charges
21. To raise money for the support of Schools
22. To receive and allow accounts
23. To see what method the town will take to support the poor
24. To see what cause the town will take with regards to Pounds
25. To see what cause the town will take to establish the west line of the town of Bethel

26. To see if the town will accept a road laid out in the petition of Urban Shorey, and if so to discontinue the one formily laid from Shorey's to Gossoms

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27. To see if the town will or will not remonstrate against a County road to be laid on the petition of Moses Heald and others

28. To transact anyother business the town may think proper when met

N B The Selectmen will be in session on the day of meeting at the place afforsaid at 9 oclock A M to receive evidence of voters and regulate the list--

given under our hands this 21st day of Feby 1838

(Signed)

John B Mason

Edmund Merrill

Selectmen

Of

Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 5 1838 Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified & warned the Inhabitants of the town of Bethel to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned more than seven days piror to this date

(Signed)

Aaron Cross

Constable

of

Bethel

A true copy of the original return upon the foregoing warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

March 5 1838

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel

qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moderator
2. Made choice of Elias M. Carter Town Clerk who was then and there sworn to the faithful and inpartial discharge of the duties of the office before W^m. Frye Esq^r a Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Oxford
3. Made choice of Phinehas Frost for the first Moses Mason for the second and Israel Kimball for the third Selectmen
4. Voted to have three Assessors
5. Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moses Mason and Israel Kimball Assessors
6. Made choice of Timothy Hastings Treasurer
7. Voted to pass over the sixth (6th) article and take up the twenty third (23rd) article

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8. Voted to leave the poor in the hands of those that have them now untill the next meeting
9. Voted to adjourn to the meeting house near Nathaniel Swan's a fortnight from today at ten of the clock in the forenoon

Phinehas Frost Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

March 19^d 1838

Met according to adjournment and

1. Made choice of Moses Mason Esq^r Moderator pro tem
2. Voted to pass over the sixth (6th) article and take up the seven (7th) article
3. Voted to set up the collection of the taxes at auction for the ensuing year in each parish seperately

4. Voted to have the understanding that if any person will take the whole of it less than it is struck off at seperately he shall have the whole
5. Struck off the Lower Parish to Aaron Mason he being the lowest bidder at four & one half cents per centum
6. Struck off the collection of the Taxes in the upper Parish to Moses Cross he being the lowest bidder at four cents per centum
7. Struck off the collection of the Taxes for the whole town to Aaron Mason he being the lowest bidder at three and a half cents per centum
8. Voted not to have but one Constable
9. Made choice of Aaron Mason Constable
10. Voted to reconsider the vote whereby they voted not to have but one Constable and have one in each parrish
11. Made choice of Stephen Bartlett Constable
12. Made choice for Highway Surveyors of

Elhanan Bartlett	Luther Eames
Aaron Mason	Simeon Twitchell
William Goddard [#]	Daniel Estes [#]
Peter Kimball	Joha Jordan
Chandler Russell	Israel Kimball
David Sanbourn	Silman Chapman [#]
Joseph Holt	John Needham
Eli Grover [#]	John Hastings
Stephen Hodgdon	William F. Rendall
Jacob Grover [#]	Amos Andrews [#]

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Joseph Wheeler J^r
Stephen Estes[#]

Jonathan A. Russell
Benjamin Estes[#]

Elihu Bean

Orson Powers

Ball Bartlett[#]

who were all sworn in open town meeting to the faithful discharge of the duties of their office by the town clerk excepting those that have this # mark prefixed to their names

13. Voted that part of the money assessed on the district that Esq^r Bartlett lives in be assigned to be worked in the district that Cap^t Hastings lives in
14. Voted to have three School Committee and that they be all brought in on one ballot
15. Made choice of Charles Frost Benjamin Dunham and Thomas Roberts supertending School Committee
16. Voted that each school district choose their own agent
17. Made choice of Highway Surveyors for Field Drivers for oath see Highway Surveyors
18. Voted that the Highway Surveyors be Fence Viewers
19. Voted to pass over the thirteenth (13th) article for the present
20. Voted to act on the twenty fourth (24th) article
21. Voted that Eli Grover's Edmund Bean's Timothy Hastings' Reuben B Foster's & James Walker's barn years be Pounds and John S. Swan's Sallar be a Pound
22. Made choice of Eli Grover Edmund Bean Timothy Hastings Reuben B. Foster James Walker & John S Swan for Pound Keepers. All of whome appeared (excepting Eli Grover) in open town meeting and were sworn to the faithful and imprtial discharge of the duties of their office by the Town Clerk
23. Voted to have three surveryors of lumber
24. Made choice of Jonathan Abbot Bezaleel Kendall and Addams Twitchell surveyors of lumber
25. Voted to have the fourth Surveyor of lumber
26. Made choice of Eli Grover Surveyor of lumber
27. Voted to have the fifth Surveyor of lumber and Seth B Newel was chosen

Personally appeared in open town meeting Bezaleet Kendall and was sworn to the faithful and im-impartial discharge of

the duties of said office before the Town Clerk

28. Voted to have three Tythingmen

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29. Made choice of James M. Pote Jonathan Abbot & Samuel Barker Tythingmen

30. Made choice of Timothy Hastings Sealer of weights and measures

31. Voted that the Sealers of weights and measures look up all the weights and measures belonging to the town that he can find

32. Voted to excuse Stephen Bartlett from serving as Constable

33. Made choice of William P Frost Constable

Personally appeared in open town meeting Moses Mason & Israel Kimball who were chosen Selectmen & Assessors for the town of Bethel for the year ensuing and were sworn as the law directs to the performance of the duties of said offices before the town Clerk

Personally appeared in open town meeting Aaron Mason & William P. Frost and took the oath prescribed by law as Constables for said town for the year ensuing before the Town Clerk

34. Voted to set off the following named persons and their estates into a school district by themselves (viz) John Williamson Levi Shaw John Beattie Richard Garlan Timothy Carter Elias M. Carter James F. Carter Benjamin Dunham Israel Kimball Jediah T. Kimball Edmund Merrill & Mary Mason agreeable to the petition of Timothy Carter and others

35. Voted to accept the School district of Jon^a A. Russell & others according to the following petition to the Selectmen of Bethel. We the undersigned request that you will insert an article in the warrant for the next March meeting requesting the town to confirm their note of March last & sett off Jon^a A. Russell Tim^y Capen Aaron Abbot Caleb Coffin David Coffin John Russell Leander Russell Eleazer Twitchell Aaron Abbot Jr. Ayers Mason

& George Chapman in to a Seperate School District. (dated)

Bethel Feby 5 1838

36. Voted that Jomathan A. Russell Timothy Capon Aaron Abbot Caleb Coffin David Coffin John Russell Leander Russell Eleazer Twitchell Aaron Abbot Jr. Ayers Mason & George Chapman have there share of the School money the last year
37. Voted to reconsider the last vote
38. Voted that Jon A. Russell Tim^a Capon Aaron Abbot Caleb Coffin David Coffin John Russell Leander Russell Eleazer Twitchell Aaron Abbot Jr Ayers Mason & George Chapman have their share of the school Money this year

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39. Voted to raise twenty five hundred dollars to repair highways
40. Voted to pass over the twentyeth (20th) article for the present ^{\$1500.00}
41. Voted to raise the sum required by law for the support of Schools
42. Voted to have the report of the Selectmen read
43. Voted to allow Bartlett Hodgsons account being \$11,00
44. Voted to allow Elias M Carter's account being \$ 4,00
45. Voted to allow Charles Frost's account being \$ 6,15
46. Voted to allow Benjamin Dunham's account being \$ 6,50
47. Voted to allow Ebenezer Eame's account being \$12,00
48. Voted to allow Phinehas Frost's & Edmund Merrill's account by their being audited by the Selectmen
49. Voted to allow John B Mason's account being \$42,97
50. Voted to allow Robbins Brown's account being \$ 8,00
51. Voted to reconsider the last vote and leave Robbins Brown's account to be audited by the Selectmen
52. Voted to pass over the article which relates to the raising of the money until the subject of the poor is disposed of

53. Voted to set up all the poor (all that are now on the town and that may come on the Town for the ensuing year) at auction to be struck off to the lowest bidder and the person bidding them off is to clear the town from all expence they may be at after they are brought to him
54. Struck off the Poor to Moses Bartlett he being the lowest bidder at five hundred & thirty dollars \$530,00 he is to keep them for one year
55. Voted to accept of Joel How & Reuben B. Foster as Moses Bartlett's Surties
56. Voted to raise eight hundred dollars to defray town charges \$800,00
57. Voted that the selectmen take a legal course to establish the west line of said town
58. Voted to accept a road laid to Urban Shorey's and discontinue the one formily laid from Shoreys to Gosson's
59. Made choice of Moses Mason Town Agent
60. Voted that the Agent remonstrat aganist a road to be laid on the petition of Josiah Heald & others
61. Voted to adjourn

Moses Mason Moderator pro tem

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

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Oxford ss March 29^d 1838 this day personally appeared Phinehas Frost and was sworn to the faithfull and impartial discharge of the duties of the office of Selectmen before the Elias M. Carter
Town Clerk

Road

Agreeable to a petition from Urban Shorey for a road Dec 29 1837
First begun in the dooryard of said Shorey at a hemlock stump first
run North 30 degrees East 8 rods then North 19 degrees East 32

rods to the corner of between land occupied by Samuel Gossom & John P Gossom then North 23 degrees East 9 rods then North 9 degrees west 12 rods then North 8 degrees East 40 rods to the road leading from Joshua Bean's to Cap^t James C Bean's in Bethel about four rods west of the house built by Elizah Gossom - said road to be a bridle road untill such times as the road may be fenced by arrangement by the owners of the land which said road passes over

(Signed) Phinehas Frost

Selectmen
of
Bethel

Dec 29 1837

The foregoing is a true record of the original report as made to and accepted by the Town

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

To Aaron Mason one of the Constables for the town of Bethel You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified according to the Constitution to assemble at the middle intervale meeting house on Monday the thirtieth day of April Inst at one of the clock P M to give in their votes for a Representative to Congress.

Given under our hands this 14th day of April eighteen hundred thirty eight

(Signed)

Phinehas Frost
Moses Mason
Israel Kimball

Selectmen
of
Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in the election of a Representative to Congress to assemble at the time and place within mentioned

(Signed)

Aaron Mason

Constable
of
Bethel

A true copy of the return on the above warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified as therein expressed met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the chairman of the Selectmen gave in their votes as follows (viz)

1. For Representative Vergil D. Parris one hundred eightysix
to Congress Zadoc Long sixty one

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Town Meeting April 30. 1838

To Aaron Mason one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
notify and summon the Inhabitants of said town qualified to vote
in town affairs to assemble at the Middle intervale meeting house
on Monday the thirtyeth day of April inst at three of the clock
P M to act on the following articles (viz)

1. To choose a Moderator
2. To see what disposition the town will make of the Ministereal
& School funds
3. To transact any other business the town may think proper
when met

Given under our hands this 14th day of April eighteen
hundred thirty eight

(Signed) Phinehas Frost	}	Selectmen
Moses Mason		of
Israel Kimball		Bethel

A true Copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Bethel April 30th 1838

Pursuant to the within I have notified the inhabitants of said
Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the time
and place within mentioned

(Signed) Aaron Mason } Constable of Bethel

A true Copy of the return on the original warrant
Attest Elais M. Carter Town Clerk

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Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of James Walker Esqr Moderator
2. Voted to choose a committy to confur with the Trustees and request them to give the Ministereal & School funds into the hands of the town and if they refuse to report to the town the standing of said funds
3. Voted to request the Trustees of the Ministereal & School to give up said funds into the hands of the town this should have been the 2^d vote & the 2^d the 3^d
4. Voted to have said Committy consist of three
5. Made choice of William Frye Phinehas Frost & John Grover for said Committy
6. Voted to request the sealer of Weights and Measures to make inquiry of what is going on relitive to weights & measures and report to the town
7. Voted to desolve the meeting

James Walker Esqr Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss April 16. 1838 Personally appeared Eli Grover and was sworn to the faithful and impartial performance of the duties of the several offices of Highway Surveyors, Surveyor of Lumber, Field driver and Pound Keeper within the town of Bethel the year ensuing, before me

Jedediah Burbank Justice of the Peace

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

April 30. 1838 Personally appeared W^m Goddard and was sworn to the faithfull and impartial performance of the duties of the office of Highway Surveyor within the town of Bethel the year ensuing before the Town Clerk

April 30. 1838 Personally appeared Phinehas Frost and was sworn as the law directs to qualify him to discharge the duties of the office of Assessor for the year ensuing before the Town Clerk

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Town Meeting

To Aaron Mason one of the Constables of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and summon the inhabitants of Said town qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the middle Intervale meeting house on Monday the tenth of Sept next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles (viz)

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
2. To see what method the town direct to make a peace of Road Lade n ear Hez. Moodys
3. To see if the town will direct the Selectmen to to Create a Road for Rufus Grover & others and a Road for John E Farwell
4. To see if the town will oppose the location of a Road about to be laid from James Walker leading to Lovel and choose an Agent for that purpose
5. To transact any other business the town may think proper when met

Given under our hands at Bethel this 25 day of August 1838

(Signed)	Phin ^S Frost	} Selectmen of Bethel
	Moses Mason	
	Israel Kimball	

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed)

Aaron Mason

} Constable
of
Bethel

Bethel Sept 10. 1838

A true copy of the return on the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Phinehas Frost Moderator
2. Voted to pass over the second and third articles and leave the subject in the hands of the Selectmen

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3. Voted to choose an Agent to oppose the Road to be laid from James Walkers to Lovel
4. Voted to choose the Agent by nomination
5. Made choice of Timothy Hastings said Agent
6. Voted to dissolve this meeting

Phinehas Frost Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

To Aaron Mason one of the Constables of Bethel. You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn

the Inhabitants of Said town qualified according to the constitution to assemble at the Middle Intervale Meeting House on Monday the tenth day of Sept next at twelve of the clock at noon to give in their votes for a Representative to the next or twenty sixth Congress.

Given under our hands at Bethel this 25th day of August 1838

(Signed)

Phinehas Frost
Moses Mason
Israel Kimball

Selectmen
of
Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Bethel Sep^t 10 1838

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warraned the Inhabitants of Said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed)

Aaron Mason

Constable
of
Bethel

A true copy of the return on the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Said Bethel qualified as therein expressed met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the chairman of the Selectmen gave in their votes as follows (viz)

For Representative	Virgil D Parris two hundred & eighty two	282
to Congress	Ladoc Long ninty	90
	Phinehas Frost two	2

The Inhabitants of Fryeburg Academy Grant came into said meeting and gave in their votes for Virgil D Parris thirteen

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Annual Election Meeting

To Aaron Mason one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
 You are hereby required in the name of the state of Maine to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town qualified according to the constitution to assemble at the Middle Intervale Meeting House in said town on monday the tenth day of September next at one of the clock in the afternoon to give in their votes for Governor - for Senators & for one Representative in the next Legislature and also to give in their votes for a county Treasurer
 The undersigned selectmen will be in session at the House of Israel Kimball on the morning of the Election from nine to eleven oclock for the purpose of receiving evedence of the qualifications of voters whose names may not be inroled in the list of voters

Given under our hands at Bethel this twenty fifth day of August 1838

(Signed) Phinehas Frost	{	Selectmen
Moses Mason		of
Israel Kimball		Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Bethel Sept 10th 1838

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place for the purposes within mentioned

Signed	{	Constable
Aaron Mason		of
		Bethel

A true copy of the return on the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote as therein expressed met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Chairman of the Selectmen gave in their votes as follows (viz)

1. Voted to receive the votes for Governor Senators & County Treasurer on one ballot and those for Representative on another

2. For Governor } John Fairfield had two hundred eighty nine
Edward Kent had ninety seven
The Inhabitants of Fryeburg Academy Grant
came into Said meeting and gave in their votes for John Fairfield
thirteen

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- For Senators } Job Prince had two hundred eighty nine
Edward L Osgood had two hundred eighty two
Daniel Tyler J^r ninty seven
Simeon Barrett ninty Seven
The Inhabitants of Fryeburg Academy Grant
came into said meeting and gave in their votes for Job Prince &
Edward L Osgood thirteen
- For County Treasurer } Alanson Mellen had two hundred eighty nine
Simeon Norris had ninety Seven

3. For Representative } Phinehas Frost had two hundred twenty
to the Legislature } Seth B. Newell had Seventy four
William Frye had twenty nine
Israel Kimball had fifteen
Moses Bartlett had three
Ladoc Lang had one

And the Said Phinehas Frost having a majority of the votes given
in was declared duly elected

Recorded by

Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss Sept 10. 1838 Personally appeared Aaron Mason and took
the oath prescribed by law as collector of taxes within and for
the town for the year ensuing before the Town Clerk --

Annual Meeting March 4th 1839

To Aaron Mason Constable of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the upper meeting house in the West parish on monday the fourth day of March next at ten with the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to wit --

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
2. To choose a town clerk
3. To choose three or more Selectmen
4. To choose Assessors
5. To choose Overseers of the Poor
6. To choose a town Treasurer
7. To choose a Constable or Constables
8. To choose a Collector or Collectors
9. To choose Highway Surveyors
10. To choose Surveyors of Lumber
11. To choose Tythingmen
12. To choose fence viewers
13. To choose field drivers
14. To choose Pound keepers
15. To choose Sextons
16. To choose School Committee
17. To choose School Agents
18. To choose three Auditors to audit accounts
19. To choose a town Agent
20. To raise money to defray town charges
21. To raise money for the suport of Schools
22. To raise money for the repair of Highways
23. To see what method the town will take to repair Pleasant river bridge and to raise money for the same
24. To see what method the town will take with the poor
25. To see if the town will build a town house and where it shall be built and to raise money for to build it
26. To see if the town will give the use of the ferry called the Barker ferry to the Bridge incorporation if not to see what the town will do with it

27. To see if the town will set Jedediah Grover & Rufus Grover into a sepearte school district
28. To see if the town will annex the Amos Andrews school district the following lots of land in Bethel No3 in the 2^d Range No2 and 3 in the 3^d Range No1 • 2 and 3 in the 4^d Range to be known by the name of the Amos Andrews district
29. To see what disposition the town will make of the surplus revenue receipts
30. To see if the town will set off Samuel Bean Humphrey Bean James M Pote Daniel G York George Tucker William Holt Hiram Holt and Justus Bean into a school district
31. To see if the town will give Francis Upton his school money to be expended in Albany
32. To see if the town will establish the bounds of the school districts
33. To see if the town will accept of a road as laid out by the Selectmen on the petition of Tilton Bartlett and others Also on petition of Gould Spofford and others Also on petition of Abraham Bryant and others

And to act on any other articles brought before the said meeting

The Selectmen will be in session at the said meeting house from the hour of nine untill the hour of ten in the forenoon on the day of the said meeting to receive evidence of the qualifications of voters

Given under our hands this twenty first day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine

(Signed)

Moses Mason
Israel Kimball

} Selectmen
of
Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Bethel March 4th 1839

Pursuant to the within warrant I have summoned and notified the

inhabitants of the town of Bethel qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed)

Aaron Mason

Constable

of

Bethel

A true copy of the return on the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

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Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of Said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Moses Mason Esqr. Moderator
2. Made choice of Elias M. Carter Town Clerk who was then and there sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of said office before Jedediah Burbank Esqr a Justice of the Peace
3. Voted to pass over the articles now under consideration and take up the subject of getting the Soldiers to Augustia
4. Voted that the town pay out of the town Treasury a reasonable and fare compensation for transporting the troops to Augustia and they shall have them there at 9 of the clock A M on Wednesday next
5. Voted th at those that have sones drafted have the first offer of going
6. Voted that Phinehas Frost & Israel Kimball be a committee to confur with those men that came forward to carry the Soldiers to Augustia and see if they will go and on what conditions and report to the town
7. Voted to accept of the report of the Committee as follows
Agreed with John Hastings Bezaleel Kendall Benj^a Brown Joseph Twitchell John Needham William Farwell & Elhanan Bartlett to furnish teams and transport the drafted Soldiers from the town of Bethel to Augustia they are to have no pay from the town unless the State payes the town for such expence the town pays the expence money on the way

(Signed) Phinehas Frost

Israel Kimball

Committee

8. Made choice of Moses Mason for the first Israel Kimball for the second & Elhanan Bartlett for the third Selectmen who appeared in open Town meeting and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify them to preform the duties of said office before the Town Clerk
9. Made choice of Moses Mason Israel Kimball & Elhanan Bartlett Assessors who appeared in open town meeting and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify them

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- to discharge the duties of said office before the Town Clerk
10. Voted that the Selectmen be overseers of the poor
11. Voted that all other officers be chosen by nomanation accepting such as the law requires to be chosen by balot
12. Made choice of Ebenezer Eames Treasurer
13. Voted to pass over the seventh (7th) article and take up the eight (8th) article
14. Voted to have the Collection of the taxes set up at auction and struck off to the lowest bidder
15. Voted to pass over the eight (8th) article and have the account current read
16. Voted that the town be a committee of the whole to audit the accounts
17. Voted to allow Phinehas Frost's account being \$41,50
18. Vote to allow Moses Mason's account being \$23,25
19. Voted to allow Israel Kimball's account being \$32,95
20. Voted to allow Timothy Hastings' account being \$24,00
21. Voted to allow Charles Frost's account being \$ 8,00
22. Voted to allow Benjamin Dunham's account being \$ 6,50
23. Voted to allow Timothy Carter's account being \$ 1,50
24. Voted to allow Robbins Brown's account being \$12,00
25. Voted to pass over the eighth (8th) article and have the report of the Trustees of the ministerial & School fund read
26. Voted to accept the report of the Trustees

27. The collection of the taxes was set up at auction and struck off to Israel Kimball he being the lowest bidder at three cents five mills per centum and he produced Edmond Bean Humphrey Bean and Elias M. Carter as his bondsmen and they were accepted by the town personally appeared Israel Kimball and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify him for a Collector of taxes
28. Made choice of Milton Roberts Isaac B. Littlehale
 Nathan F Twitchell Richard Estes
 #Timothy Chapman James Estes
 John Bird #Isaac Estes
 #William Holt Nathaniel Swan^{2d}
 Israel Kimball Micaiah Blake
 William F Kendall #Caleb Rowe
 Nathan Grover James Grover
 #Gilman Daniels Moses Chandler

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#Ayers Mason	Peter Wheeler
Andrew Oliver	Hezekiah Moody
Francis Barker	#Winchester Whitman
#Elihu Bean	Adam Willis

Eli Foster Highway Surveyors

who were all sworn in open town meeting to the faithfull discharge of the duties of their office by the town clerk exceptind those that have this # mark prefixed to their names also to the offices of Fence viewers & Field drivers

29. Made choice of Israel Kimball Constable who personally appeared in open town meeting and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify him to discharge the duties of said office before the Town Clerk

30. Made choice for Surveyors of Lumber of

#Jonathan Abbot
Nathan Twitchell
Jesse Cross
E C Bean

#Eli Grover
E D Russell
John A Twitchell
#Joseph Huchins

who were all sworn in open town meeting to the faithful discharge of the duties of there offices by the Town Clerk excepting those that have this # mark prefixed to there mames

31. Made choice for Tythingmen of
Elbridge Chapman Clark Kimball
Peter Powers Israel Kimball
Leander Jewell Haezekiah Moody Stephen Estes
32. Voted that the Highway Surveyors be Field drivers for oath
see Highway Surveyors
33. Voted that the Highway Surveyors be Fence viewers for oath
see Highway Surveyors
34. Made choice for Poundkeepers of Edmond Bean John S Swan
James Walker Eli Grover Timothy Hastings & Reuben B Foster
and Their Barn yards for Pounds they were sworn before the
T. Clerk
35. Made choice for Textons of Elijah Harden Simeon Brown
Samuel Bean Aaron Mason Abraham Bryant Isaac B Littlehale
Josiah Brown
36. Made choice for School Committee of Charles Frost Benjamin
Dunham & Thomas Roberts personally Appeared Charles Frost and
was sworn to the faithfull discharge of the duties of s^d office
before T C Page 606
37. Voted that each School district choose their own Agent
38. Voted to pass over the eighteenth (18th) article.
39. Made choice of Moses Mason Town Agent
40. Voted to pass over the twentieth (20th) article and take up
the twenty fourth (24th) article
41. Voted that Mehitable Holt be left in the hands of the over-
sears of the poor
42. Voted that the poor be left in the hands of the oversears
43. Voted to raise one thousand dollars to defray town charges

44. Voted to autherise the Selectmen to hire money for the use of the town if it is needed
45. Voted to raise the sum required by law for the suport of schools
46. Voted to pass over the twenty second (22nd) article and act on the twenty third (23rd) article
47. Voted to choose an Agent to build Pleasant river bridge and Samuel Barker was chosen said Agent
48. Voted that the Selectmen examine the spot and give directions
49. Voted to raise three thousand dollars to repaire Highways
50. Voted to pass over the twenty fifth (25th) article
51. Voted to give the use of the Barker Ferry so called in Bethel to the bridge incorporation
52. Voted to set off Jedediah Grover & Rufus Grover into a seperate School district
53. Voted to pass over the twenty eighth (28th) article and take up the thirty second (32nd) article
54. Made choice of James Walker Phinehas Frost and Ebenezer Eames a Committee to district the town into School districts and report to the Sept meeting
55. Voted to pass over the twenty nineth (29th) article
56. Voted that the Treasurer burn up the receipts for the surplus revinue money
57. Voted to pass over the thirteith (30th) article
58. Voted that Francis Upton have his share of the School money to expend in Albany
59. Voted to accept a road laid on the petition of Tilton Bartlett
60. Voted to accept a road laid on the petition of Rufus Grover & others
61. Voted to accept a road laid on the petition of Gould Spoford & others

62. Voted to accept a road laid on the petition of Abraham Bryant and others by his building a fence on the lawn side of said road keeping it in repair
63. Voted to adjourn this meeting without date

Moses Mason Esqr Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

March 6 1839 this day personally appeared William Holt and Made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of Highway Surveyor field driver & fence viewer for the town of Bethel for the year ensuing before

Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 8, 1839 Personally appeared Elbridge Chapman and made oath that he would diligently attend to and faithfully execute the duties of his office as Tythingman in the town of Bethel for the year ensuing without partiality and according to his best discretion and judgment before me

Robert A. Chapman Justice of the Peace

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

March 11, 1839 This day personally appeared Benjamin Dunham and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of School Committee for the town of Bethel for the year ensuing before

Elias M Carter Town Clerk

March 13, 1839 This day personally appeared Isaac Estes and Made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of Highway Surveyor field Driver & fence viewer for the town of Bethel for the year ensuing before

Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 7, 1839 Then personally appeared Caleb Rowe and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his offices as Highway Surveyor Field Driver and Fence Viewer in the town of Bethel for the ensuing year according to

his best skill and judgment before me

Robert A Chapman Justice of the Pea
Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

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Road
Nov 3th 1839

On Petition of Tilton Bartlett and others for a road Began at a Stake standing of Bethel town line nearly South from Caleb Bessee's house in said Bethel first run North 24 degrees West 162 Rods about 20 feet southwest from said Bessee's house then North 59 degrees West 64 Rods thence North 23 degrees West 104 Rods to a bound two Rods East of Said Tilton Bartlett's house Said Road is to be a Bridle Road or passway the whole distince of Said Road 222 Rods 184 Rods on said Bessee's land 38 Rods on Bartlett's Said Bessee claims damage

We estimate the damage twelve dollars thirty three cts \$12,33

(Signed) Phinehas Frost
Israel Kimball

Selectmen
of
Bethel

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Road. The following is the minits of a road as laid out by the Selectmen in the petition of Rufus Grover and others begining one rod from the south west corner of Rufus Grovers house thence runing North nineteen Degrees east sixty two rods thence North three degrees West eighty eight rods to the road leading from Jedediah Grover Jr to Jedediah Grover's

(Signed) Moses Mason
Israel Kimball

Selectmen
of
Bethel

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Agreeable to a petition from Gould Spofford to lay a road to convey him began at the road leading by Zenis Cary's at the barn near said Cary's house first run North $85 \text{ Deg}^{\text{rs}}$ East 8 Rods in front of his house to a bound thence south $64 \text{ Deg}^{\text{rs}}$ East 44 rods thence south $71 \text{ Deg}^{\text{rs}}$ East 42 Rods thence South $83 \text{ Deg}^{\text{rs}}$ East 24 rods thence North 81 Degrees East 30 rods to the door yard of said Spofford on the North Side of the house Said Road to be a bridle road or passway

Nov 21th 1838 No damage required

(Signed) Phinehas Frost

} Selectmen
 of
 Bethel

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

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Road. Laid out a road begining at the south west corner of Abraham Bryant's house thence runing South forty nine degrees east thirteen rods thence south forty four degrees east twenty one rods to the road that runs from Solomons Annis to Eli Cushman's by the said Abraham Bryant's paying the damage by his agreement

(Signed) Moses Mason
 Israel Kimball

} Selectmen
 of
 Bethel

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss March 8, 1839. Then personally appeared Ayers Mason and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his officers as Highway Surveyor Fence Viewer and Field Driver in the town of Bethel for the ensuing year according to his best skill and judgment before me

Robert A Chapman Justice of the Peace

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss April 2^d 1839 Personally appeared Timothy Chapman and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his office as Highway Surveyor Fence Viewer and Field Driver in the Town of Bethel for the year ensuing according to his best skill and judgment before me

Robert A. Chapman Justice of the P
Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Oxford ss April 10th 1839 This day personally appeared Jonathan Abbot and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of Surveyor of Lumber for the town of Bethel for the year ensuing before

Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

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Bethel March 1 1839

Report of the Notes in the Treasury of the School & Ministerial Fund of Bethel -- Names

Jedediah Grover Jr by Mortgage	\$125,50
Charles R Locke & James Locke	\$ 65,00
Moses Swan Charles R Locke & Samuel B Locke	\$338,00
Jesse Cross Joseph Twitchell Daniel Grout --	\$ 40,95
John Mills Nathan Grover George W Grover	\$ 86,00
Asa Bartlett Reuben Bartlett Isaac B Littlehale	\$ 48,60
Daniel Wheeler Alvah Wheeler Aaron Cross --	\$ 40,08
Joseph & Peter Wheeler	
Thomas Harden -----	\$ 44,00
Jonathan Abbot & Capt Jonathan Abbot	
Addison Abbot -----	\$143,00
Ira Kilgore Eliphas C Kilgore	
Moses W Kilgore -----	\$ 60,00

Aaron Cross Jesse Cross---	
Moses T Cross -----	\$ 55,00
John Harris William Whitcomb ----	\$ 42,00
Anthony Bessee Timothy Chapman	\$ 40,95
Luther Locke Samuel B Locke	
Charles R Locke -----	\$129,36
Macciah Blocke John Cushman	\$ 50,00
Joseph Barker Aaron Mason	
Samuel Barker -----	\$ 60,00
Kimball Bean Crocker Bean	
Elihu Kilgore -----	\$ 69,29
Ezra Twitchell	
Thadeus Twitchell	\$ 45,00
Robins & Daniel F Brown	
Mortguage -----	\$342,00

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Town Meeting

To Israel Kimball one of the Constables of the Town of Bethel.
 You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
 notify and warn the inhabitants of Said town qualified to vote in
 town affairs to assemble Oringe C. Frost's on saturday the twenty
 ninth instant at three of the clock in the afternoon to act on
 the following articles to wit

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting
2. To see what method the fown will take to repair or rebuild
bear river bridge
3. To raies money to rebuild or repaire the same and pay the
expenses of repairing Pleasent river bridge
4. To act on any other articles the town amy think proper when met

Given under our hands the thirteenth day of June 1839

Moses Mason	}	Selectmen
(Signed) Israel Kimball		of
Elhanan Bartlett		Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk
Bethel 1839

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed) Israel Kimball	}	Constable
		of
		Bethel

A true copy of the original return upon the foregoing warrant

Attest Elias M Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Leander Jewett Esqr Moderator
2. Voted to rebuild Bear river bridge
3. Voted to pass over the third (3^d) article and see what kind of a bridge they will build

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4. Voted to choose a Committee of five to consult upon some method and report to this meeting
5. Made choice of Timothy Hastings Nathan F Twitchell Edmond Bean John Grover & Moses Mason said committee
6. Voted to accept the report of the committee as follows
Your committee have examined a place to build a bridge acrast

Bear river and concludes to build on the same spot where the old one now stands to be built as follows on the Bethel side a stone abutment with timbers placed at the bottom near where the mud sill now is then build up with split stone as high as the bridge now is the corners to be turned with split stone and doweled at the corners and then filled up with common stone the span across the river on the same principle that the old one is. the other abutment we consider belongs to Newry so do not act on it. the top to be covered in part or whole

7. Voted to allow Grover & Wileys account being \$8.97
8. Voted to adjourn this meeting two weeks from this day at this place at one of the clock in the afternoon

Leander Jewett Esqr Moderator

Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

July 13, 1839

Met according to Adjournment and

1. Voted to adjourn one half hour

Met according to adjournment and

1. Voted to choose a Committee of five to confer with Newry Committee
2. Made choice of Timothy Hastings Nathan F. Twitchell Moses Mason Israel Kimball & Charles R Locke said Committee
3. Voted to reconsider the sixth (6th) vote passed June 29 accepting a report of a Committee
4. Voted to accept the report of the present Committee being as follows

Your committee have met the Committee of Newry and conferred with them and report that in their opinion it is best to build a bridge similar to the present bridge with an addition of covering the braces and shingle the same

5. Voted to sell up the building of this bridge at auction to be struck off to the lowest bidder

6. Voted that the contractor build the frame of the bridge entire with white pine tameract or brown ash timber all of which shall be sound and green and free from sap the timber to be of the same dimensions as the present bridge the small braces to be of tameract also the bed timber the long strings may be whole or spliced he is entitled to the timber of the old bridge the Iron that is attached to the Bridge to be put on the new bridge he is to take the plank off from the old bridge and pile them up safe. The job to be finished by the last of September next in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of a committee chosen by the town for that purpose
7. Voted that the contractor shall have his pay when the bridge is done and accepted
8. Voted that the Selectmen be a committee to accept of the bridge
9. Voted that the contractor give good & sufficient bonds to the town for the faithfull preformance of his contract
10. Stuck off the building of Said bridge to Ezra Twitchell he being the lowest bidder for one hundred and thirty five dollars ----- \$135,00
11. Voted to raise two hundred dollars to pay the expenses of rebuilding this bridge and repairing Pleasent river bridge
12. Voted to defur allowing Benjamin Brown's account untill the next March meeting
13. Voted that the next September meeting be at the Middle Intervale
14. Voted that the town Agent be autherized to enquire into the loss of Benjamin Brown and report to the next annual meeting
15. Voted to dissolve this meeting

Leander Jewett Esqr Moderator

Recorded by Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Town Meeting

To Israel Kimball Constable of the town of Bethel.

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and summons the inhabitants of said town qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at or near the center meeting house on the ninth day of September next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting
2. To see if the town will vote to devide the or to build a town House
3. To see if the town will accept of the location of a road as laid out be the Selectmen on the petition of John A Twitchell and others
4. To act upon any other articles the town shall think proper when met

Given under our hands this twenty fourth day of August 1839

(Signed)	Moses Mason	}	Selectmen of Bethel
	Elhanan Bartlett		

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk
Bethel September 9th 1839

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed)	}	Constable of Bethel
Israel Kimball		

A true copy of the return on the foregoing warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Moses Mason Esqr Moderator
2. Voted to adjourn to E M Carter's new barn fourthwith
3. Voted to devide the town
4. Voted not to devide on the Parish line
5. Voted to adjourn this meeting untill four of the clock this afternoon

Moses Mason Esqr Moderator
Recorded by Elias M Carter Town Clerk

To Israel Kimball Constable of the town of Bethel

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of Said town qualified according to the constitution to assemble at or near the center meeting house on the ninth day of Sept^m next at twelve of the clock noon to give in their votes on the following question (viz)

Shall the constitution of the State be so amended as to strike out the fourth section of the sixth article and substitute in the room there of the words following viz

section 4 All Judicial officers now in office or who may here after be in the year eighteen hundred and forty hold their office of the term of seven years from the time of their respective ap-
pointments (unless sooner removed) by impeachment or by address of both branches of the legislaure to the execitive) and no longer unless reappointed thereto and the inhabitants of said town shall vote by ballot upon said question thoss in favour of said amend-
ment expressing it by the word yes upon their ballots and those opposed to the amdendment expressing it by the word no upon their ballots. Given under our hands this twenty fourth day of August
A D 1839

(Signed) Moses Mason } Selectmen
Elhanan Bartlett } of Bethel
Bethel Sept 9th 1839

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed) Israel Kimball } Constable
of Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant with the return thereon

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Bethel qualified to vote as therein expressed met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the chairman of the Selectmen gave in their votes as follows (viz)

Yes one hundred & sixty five

No sixteen

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Warrant Election Meeting

To Israel Kimball one of the Constables of the town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to
notify and warn the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified according
to the constitution to assemble at or near the center Meeting house
on monday the ninth day of September next at one of the clock in
the afternoon to give in their votes for Governor for Senators and
a Representative in the Legislature and also a County treasurer
Given under our hands at said Bethel this twenty fourth day of
August A D 1839

(Signed)

Moses Mason } Selectmen
Elhanan Bartlett } of Bethel

Bethel September 9th 1839

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the
inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to meet at
the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned

(Signed) Israel Kimball Constable of
Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant with the return therein

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Bethel
qualified to vote as therein expressed met at the time and place
therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the chairman of
the Selectmen gave in their votes following (viz)

1. Voted to bring in the votes Representative on a seperate ballot

2 } John Fairfield had two hundred forty five
For Governor } Edward Kent had sixty

For Senators } Alvan Bolster had two hundred and twenty two
David Hammons had two hundred forty three
Silas Barnard had twenty two
Simeon Barrett had Sixty
Daniel Tyler had Sixty

For County } Alanson Mellen had two hundred & forty five
Treasurer } Simeon Norris had fifty nine

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3. } Timothy Hastings had one hundred & sixty three
For Representative } Robert A. Chapman had thirty six
to the Legislature } Joseph Twitchell had twenty four
Phinehas Frost had five
Addison Abbot had seven
John Grover had two

and the said Timothy Hastings haveing a majority of the votes given in was declared duly elected

Recorded by

Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Annual Town Meeting March 2th 1840

To Israel Kimball Constable of the town of Bethel.

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to summon and notify the inhabitants of said town of Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the lower end of said town on the south side of the river on monday the second day of March next at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to wit

1. To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
2. To choose a Clerk
3. To choose three Selectmen
4. To choose three Assessors
5. To choose Overseers of the poor
6. To choose a Constable or Constables
7. To choose a Collector or Collectors of taxes
8. To choose a School Committee
9. To choose Highway Surveyors
10. To choose Surveyors of Lumber
11. To choose Fence Viewers
12. To choose a Treasurer
13. To choose Pound Keepers
14. To choose Sextons
15. To choose Tythingmen
16. To choose Field Drivers
17. To choose School Agents
18. To choose Auditors to audit accounts or to see if the town will allow accounts
19. To choose a town Agent
20. To raise money to defray town charges
21. To raise money for the suport of Schools
22. To raise money for the repairs of Highways
23. To see what method the town will take with the poor
24. To see if the town will build a town house and see where it shall be built and to raise money for the same
25. To see if the town will accept of the report of the Committee appointed at their last annual meeting for the dis-

tricting the said town into School districts

26. To see if the town will accept of a road as laidout by the Selectmen on the petition of John B. Mason and others
27. To see if the town will accept of the revisal of the box as done by the Selectmen

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and to act on any other articles brought before the said meeting

The Selectmen will be in session at the said meeting house from the hour of nine untill the hour of ten in the forenoon on the said day of the said meeting to receive evidence of the qualification of voters

Given under our hands this eighth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty

(Signed)

Moses Mason
Elhanan Bartlett

} Selectmen
of
Bethel

A true copy of the original warrant

Attest Elias M. Carter Town Clerk

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the within inhabitants according to law

March 2, 1840

(Signed) Israel Kimball

} Constable
of
Bethel

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said Bethel qualified to vote in town affairs met at the time and place therein mentioned and the meeting being opened by the Town Clerk proceeded to business and

1. Made choice of Moses Mason Esqr Moderator

2. Made choice of Elias M Carter Clerk who was then and there sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of Said office before William Frye Esqr a Justice of the Peace
3. Made choice of Moses Mason 1st Israel Kimball 2^d Elhanan Bartlett 3^d Selectmen who appeared in open town meeting and Made oath that they would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of said office before the Town Clerk
4. Made choice of Moses Mason Israel Kimball Elhanan Bartlett Assessors who appeared in open town meeting and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify them to discharge the duties of said office before the Town Clerk
5. Voted that the Oversears of the poor be Chosen by nomination
6. Voted that the Selectmen be Oversears of the poor
7. Voted to pass over the sixth (6th) article and take up the seventh (7th) article

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8. Voted to set up the collection of taxes at auction to be struck off to the lowest bidder
9. Struck off the the collection of taxes to Israel Kimball he being the lowest
10. Made choice of Israel Kimball Collector who appeared in open town meeting and took the oath prescrbed by law to qualify him to discharge the duties of said office before the town Clerk
11. Voted to accept of Humphrey Bean and Elenezer Eames as Isrel Kimball's Surety
12. Made choice of Israel Kimball Constable who appeared in open town meeting and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify him to discharge the duties of said office before the Town Clerk
13. Voted to pass over the eighth (8th) article and take up the

eighteenth (18th) article

14. Voted that the town audit accounts
15. Voted to allow Moses Mason's account being \$27,48
16. Voted to allow Elhanan Bartlett's account being \$22,00
17. Voted to allow Israel Kimball's account being \$26,75
18. Voted to allow Ebenezer Eames account being \$21,00
19. Voted to leave Clement Seavey's account in the hands of the oversears of the poor
20. Voted to allow James Walker's account being \$10,75
21. Voted to allow Elias M Carter's account being \$ 6,00
22. Voted to allow Jonathan Abbot's account being \$ 2,50
23. Voted to allow Robins Brown's account being \$ 4,00
24. Voted that Samual Gosom's account be laid aside and no further action taken upon it.
25. Voted to allow Charles Frost's account being ----- \$ 5,67
26. Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Schools & Ministerial fund
27. Voted to allow Aaron Mason's account being -- \$ 3,00
28. Voted to allow Joseph Staples account being --- 2,00
29. Voted that the Gossam note be leaft in the hands of the Selectmen
30. Made choice of the Selectmen for Auditors
31. Made choice of Charles Frost Benjamin Dunham & Thomas Roberts School Committee, personally appeared Charles Frost in open town meeting and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of said office before the Town Clerk

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32. Made choice for Highway Surveyors of Elhanan Bartlett

Leander Jewett
 #Liman Bird
 Daniel G Holt
 Moses Swet
 William Andrews
 Joseph Holt
 Isaac C Cross
 George Chapman
 John Hastings
 #Ball Bartlett
 Caleb Bessee J^r
 Stephen Bartlett
 Seth B Newell

Curatia T Bartlett
 Hiram Holt
 #Jacob Grover
 David Elliott
 Benjamin Brown
 William Whitcomb
 # Josiah Brown
 John Sanbourn
 Leonard Grover
 Andrew Stiles
 #Hezekiah Andrews
 Jonathan C Robinson
 Simeon Brown

#Denis Cary who were all sworn in open town meeting to the faithfull discharge of the duties of Said office before the town Clerk except those that have this # mark prefixed to their names-

33. Made choice for Surveyors of Lumber of Jonathan Abbot

Ezekiel D Russell
 Seth B Newell

Jesse Cross
 Eli Grover

34. Voted that the Highway Surveyors be Fence Viewers

35. Made choice of Ebenezer Eames Treasurer

36. Voted that the same places be Pounds that were last year

37. Made choice for Pound Keepers of

Reuben B Foster
 Eli Grover
 John Bird

Timothy Hastings
 Humphrey Bean
 John Y Dustin

Caleb Bessee and voted that his yard be a Pound

38. Made choice for Sextons of Simeon Brown

Thomas Cushman
 Isaac B Littlehale
 Adam Willis

Eli Twitchell 3^d
 Aaron Mason
 Abraham Bryant

39. Made choice for Tythingmen of Samuel Barker

Jedediah Burbank
 Gilman Chapman
 Joseph Holt

Ebenezer Eames
 Elehu Bean
 Hezekiah Moody

40. Voted that the Highway Surveyors be Field Drivers
41. Voted that each School district choose their own Agent
42. Voted to raise seven hundred dollars to defray town charges \$700,00
43. Voted to raise what the law requires for the suport of Schools
44. Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the repair of Highways ----

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45. Voted to set up the poor at auction to be struck off to the lowest bidder singly
46. Voted that if any one will take all of them for less than they are bid off singly he shall have them
47. Struck off John Russell to William Andrews for one hundred and sixteen dollars
Struck off William Grover to Summer Stearns for seventy three dollars
Struck off Betsy Chapman to Edmon Bean for thirty eight dollars --
Struck off Old Mrs Goss to Thomas Goss for nineteen dollars
Struck off Suky Farwell's child to Bezaleel Kendall for five dollars
Voted to leave Mrs Sprage and Son in the hands of the Oversears
Struck off John Estes to Edmon Bean for forty three dollars
All to be kept one year from the second instant - those who have bid off the poor are to clear the town from all expence
Voted to leave all others in the hands of the Oversears
48. Voted to pass over the twenty fourth (24th) article
49. Voted to take up the report of the Committee who were

appointed to district the town into School districts separately (that is) each district by it self

50. Voted to accept of the report of district not being as follows

Bounds as follows Commencing on the bank of the Androscoggin river at Power's & Willis' corner thence Northly on their division line to the line of Howards Gore. All below the above mentioned line together with the Islands opposite said district with the exception of Coln Joel How & his estate which was set off to the district in Howards Gore by a vote of the town

51. Voted to accept of the report of district No2 Adam Willis' district No2 Bounded as follows (viz) Commencing at Bear river and taking all the land between said river and sitrict No 1.

52. Voted to accept of the report of district No 3 Capt Timothy Hastings' district No 3 Bounded as follows (viz) Commencing at the North Easterly corner of Peter G Smith's land on Newry line thence westerly on the town line untill it intersects the lot line between twenty and twenty one thence on said lot line to the south west corner of Lot No 20 in the 9th range being the lot bound by John Merrill; thence easterly on the range line to the Androscoggin river thence down said river to the easterly line of Peter G. Smith's land; thence northerly on said line to the first mentioned bound. Also the easterly half of lot No 21 in the 10 range, and Reuben Bartlett's land